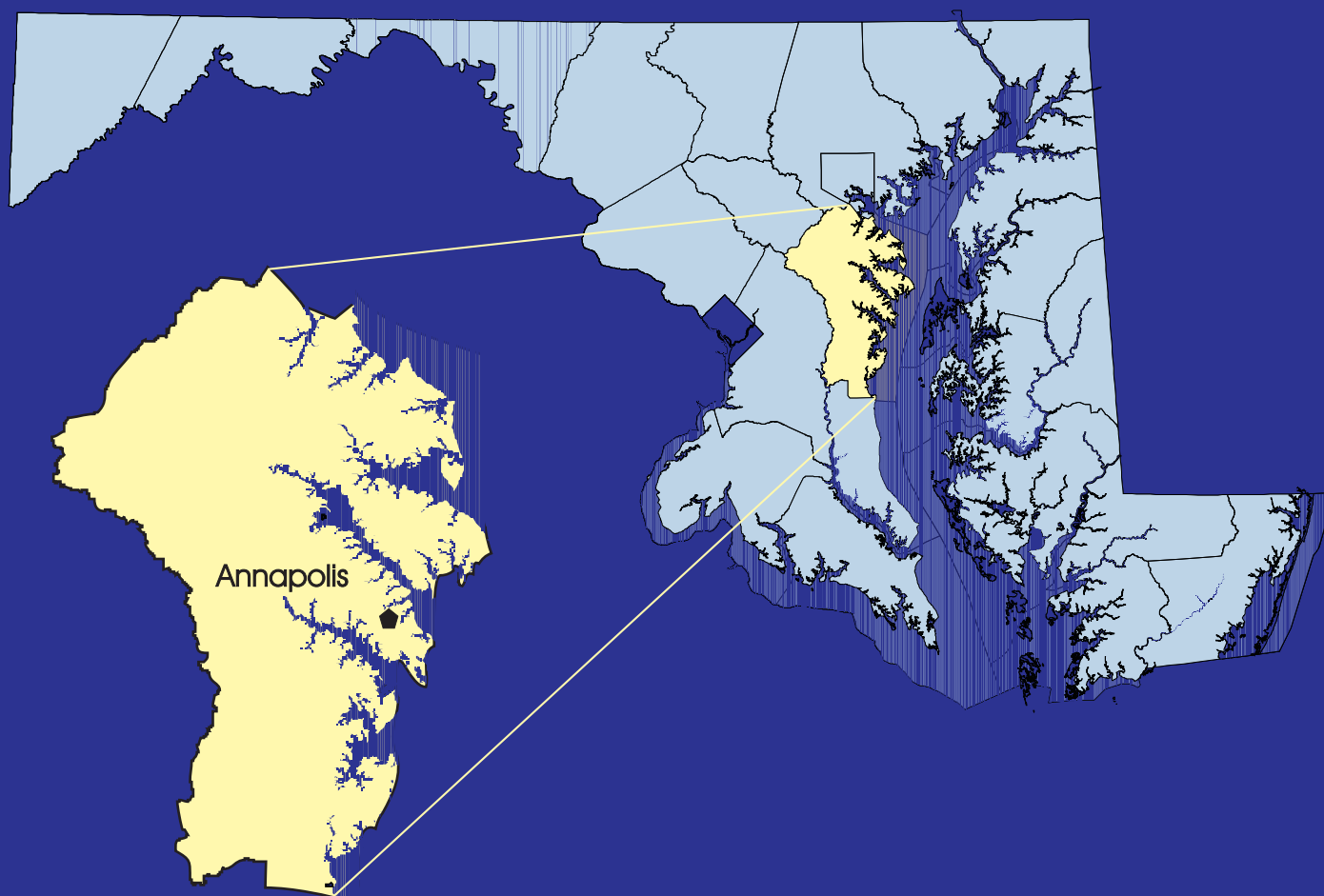


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INTRODUCTION

This report presents county-level data from the 1994–1997 Maryland Biological Stream Survey (MBSS or the Survey). Previous reports have documented interim results from the 1995 (Roth et al. 1997) and 1996 (Roth et al. 1998a) sample years. In addition, a comprehensive final report was produced to assess the “state of the streams” throughout the state (Roth et al. 1999). All previous MBSS reports have presented information by individual drainage basins. Because there is a recognized need for stream health information at the county level, a series of reports were prepared; this report is part of that series. This introductory section recounts the origin of the Survey and describes its components.

Origin of the MBSS

More than 10 years ago, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) recognized that atmospheric deposition was one of the most important environmental problems resulting from the generation of electric power. To determine the extent of acidification of Maryland streams resulting from acidic deposition, MDNR conducted the Maryland Synoptic Stream Chemistry Survey (MSSCS) in 1987. The MSSCS estimated the number and extent of streams at that time affected by or sensitive to acidification statewide and demonstrated the potential for adverse effects on biota from acidification. However, little direct information was available on the biological responses of Maryland streams to water chemistry conditions. Data that were available could not be used (because of methodological differences and spatial coverage limitations) to compare conditions across regions or watersheds (Tornatore et al. 1992). Neither was it possible to assess the interactions between acidic deposition and other anthropogenic and natural influences (CBRM 1989). For these reasons, in 1993, MDNR created the MBSS to provide comprehensive information on the status of biological resources in Maryland streams and how they are affected by acidic deposition and other cumulative effects of anthropogenic stresses.

Description of the MBSS

The MBSS is intended to help environmental decision-

makers protect and restore the natural resources of Maryland. The primary objectives of the MBSS are:

- to assess the current status of biological resources in Maryland’s non-tidal streams;
- to quantify the extent to which acidic deposition has affected or may be affecting biological resources in the state;
- to examine which other water chemistry, physical habitat, and land use factors are important in explaining the current status of biological resources in streams;
- to compile the first statewide inventory of stream biota;
- to establish a benchmark for long-term monitoring of trends in these biological resources; and
- to target future local-scale assessments and mitigation measures needed to restore degraded biological resources.

In creating the Survey, MDNR implemented a probability-based sampling design as a cost-effective way to characterize statewide stream resources. By randomly selecting sites, the Survey can make quantitative inferences about the characteristics of all 9,258 miles of first-to-third-order, non-tidal streams in Maryland (based on stream length on a 1:250,000-scale base map). MDNR recognized that the utility of these estimates depended on accurately measuring appropriate attributes of streams. The Survey focuses on biology for two reasons: (1) organisms themselves have direct societal value and (2) biological communities integrate stresses over time and are a valuable and cost-effective means of assessing ecological integrity (i.e., the capacity of a resource to sustain its inherent potential).

Fish are an important component of stream integrity and one that also contributes to substantial recreational values. For these reasons, fish communities are a primary focus of the Survey. The Survey collects quantitative data for the calculation of population estimates for individual fish species (both game and nongame). These data can also be used to evaluate

fish community composition, individual fish health, and the geographic distribution of commercially important, rare, or non-indigenous fish species. Benthic (bottom-dwelling) macroinvertebrates are another essential component of streams and they constitute the second principal focus of the Survey. The Survey uses rapid bioassessment procedures for collecting benthic macroinvertebrates; these semi-quantitative methods permit comparisons of relative abundance and community composition, and have proven to be an effective way of assessing biological integrity in streams (Hilsenhoff 1987, Lenat 1988, Plafkin et al. 1989, Kerans and Karr 1994, Resh 1995). The Survey also records the presence of reptiles and amphibians (herpetofauna), freshwater mussels, and aquatic plants (both submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) and emergent macrophytes). The Survey has established rigorous protocols (Kazyak 1996) for each of these sampling components, as well as training and auditing procedures to assure that data quality objectives are met.

Although the MBSS sampling design and protocols provide exceptional information for characterizing the stream resources in Maryland, designation of degraded areas and identification of likely stresses requires additional activities. Assessing the condition of biological resources (whether they are degraded or not degraded) requires the development of ecological indicators that permit the comparison of sampled segment results to minimally impacted reference conditions (i.e., the biological community expected in watersheds with little or no human-induced impacts). The Survey has used its growing database of information collected with consistent methods and broad coverage across the state to develop and test indicators of individual biological components (Stribling et al. 1998, Roth et al. 1998b) and physical habitat quality (Hall et al. 1999). Each of these indicators consists of multiple metrics using the general approach developed for the Index of Biotic Integrity (IBI) (Karr et al. 1986, Karr 1991) and the Chesapeake Bay Benthic Restoration Goals (Ranasinghe et al. 1994). The fish and benthic macroinvertebrate IBIs (which combine attributes of both the number and the type of species found) are widely accepted indicators that have been adapted for use in a variety of geographic locations (Miller et al. 1988, Cairns and Pratt 1993, Simon 1999). The Survey is investigating the possibility

of developing additional indicators (e.g., amphibians in small streams with few or no fish) and combining components into a composite indicator of biological integrity.

In addition to developing reference-based indicators, the Survey is applying a variety of analytical methods to the question of which stressors are most closely associated with degraded streams. This involves correlational and multivariate analyses of water chemistry, physical habitat, land use, and biological information (e.g., presence of non-native species). The biological information also provides a valuable opportunity for documenting aquatic biodiversity across the state; the distribution and abundance of species previously designated as rare only by anecdotal evidence can be determined, and unique combinations of species at the ecosystem and landscape levels can be identified. Land use and other landscape-scale metrics will play an important role in identifying the relative contributions of different stressors to the cumulative impact on stream resources. Ultimately, the Survey seeks to provide an integrated assessment of the problems facing Maryland streams that will facilitate interdisciplinary solutions for their restoration. The survey also provides resource managers with the locations of relatively undisturbed streams and watersheds that deserve protection.

METHODS

This section presents the specific study design and procedures used to implement the Maryland Biological Stream Survey. The study area of concern and the sampling design developed to characterize it are presented, along with field and laboratory methods for each component: fish, benthic macroinvertebrates, reptiles and amphibians, physical habitat, and water chemistry. Methods for aquatic vegetation and mussel sampling are presented, but the resulting data are not included in this report. A full description of MBSS methods can be found in Kazyak (1996).

MBSS Study Design

The Survey study area comprises 17 distinct drainage basins across the state. Random sampling was used to allow the estimation of unbiased summary statistics (e.g., means, proportions, and their respective variances) for the entire state, a particular basin, and subpopulations of interest (e.g., streams with pH < 5).

Because it would have been cost prohibitive to visit a sufficient number of sites in all basins in a single year, lattice sampling was used to schedule sampling of all basins over a three-year period, 1995-1997. Lattice sampling, also known as multistratification, is a cost-effective means of allocating effort across time in a large geographic area (Heimbuch 1999, Jessen 1978, Cochran 1977). A table, or lattice, was formed by arranging 17 basins in 17 rows, and the years in 3 columns. Lattice sampling was the method used for selecting cells from this 17x3 table so that all basins would be sampled over a three-year period and all basins would have a non-zero probability of being sampled in a given year. The data presented in this report include those collected at random sampling sites within the 17 principal basins in Maryland, as well as sites from the 1994 demonstration project. Because no estimates were calculated for this report, these data were included to supplement the number of sites.

The sampling frame for the Survey was constructed by overlaying basin boundaries on a map of all blue-line stream reaches in the study area as digitized on a U.S. Geological Survey 1:250,000 scale topographic map. This sample frame was similar to that used by the earlier Maryland Synoptic Stream Chemistry Survey

(MSSCS) conducted in 1987 (Knapp and Saunders 1987, Knapp et al. 1988). The Strahler convention (Strahler 1957) was used for ranking stream reaches by order; first-order reaches, for example, are the most upstream reaches in the branching stream system. Sampling was restricted to non-tidal, third-order and smaller stream reaches, excluding impoundments that were non-wadable or that substantially altered the riverine nature of the reach (Kazyak 1994). Together, these first-through third-order streams comprise about 90% of all stream and river miles in Maryland. Stream reaches were further divided into non-overlapping, 75-meter segments; these segments were the elementary sampling units from which biological, water chemistry, and physical habitat data were collected.

The 1995-1997 MBSS study design was based on stratified random sampling of segments within each basin; each basin was stratified by stream order. Within a stream order, the number of segments sampled per basin is proportional to the number of stream miles in the basin. To achieve the target number of samples per stream order within each basin, a given number of segments were randomly selected from each basin and ranked in order of selection. In all basins, extra segments were selected as a contingency against loss of sampling sites from restricted access to selected streams or from streams that were dry, too deep, or otherwise unsampleable owing to field conditions. In some basins, where only a small number of sites would have been selected using this method, additional random sites were selected to increase sample size. These extra sites (selected at random using the method described above) were used to provide better basinwide estimates; they were not included in the estimates of statewide conditions.

Permissions were obtained to access privately owned land adjacent to or near each stream segment. The procedures for obtaining permissions are described in Chaillou (1995). Because landowner permissions were obtained in a synoptic fashion and some variation in these rates occurred, we obtained more permissions than were needed for the Survey. Only the highest ranking sites were sampled until the target goal for that basin was reached. For the three year study, the success rate for obtaining permission to access stream sampling segments was high. Eighty-eight percent of sites that were targeted for permission were sampled.

Reasons for permission denial varied and generally reflected the preferences of landowners regarding property access, rather than any specific types of land. In rare cases, permission denial may affect the interpretation of Survey estimates, but only where denials occur in streams with characteristics that differ from the general population of streams. In one example of potential bias, several sites with known coal mining activities in the North Branch Potomac basin denied permission to sample, likely under representing the proportion of acid mine drainage streams in the population.

Field and Laboratory Methods

Benthic macroinvertebrate and water quality sampling were conducted in spring, when the benthos are thought to be reliable indicators of environmental stress (Plafkin et al. 1989) and when acid deposition effects are often the most pronounced. Fish, reptiles and amphibians, aquatic vegetation, and mussel sampling, along with physical habitat evaluations, were conducted during the low-flow period in summer. Fish community composition tends to be stable during summer, and low flow is advantageous for electrofishing. Because low-flow conditions in summer may be a primary factor limiting the abundance and distribution of fish populations, habitat assessments were performed during the summer. The sample size in summer is lower than in spring because some streams were dry in summer or were, in rare cases, otherwise unsampleable.

To reduce temporal variability, sampling during spring and summer was conducted within specific, relatively narrow time intervals, referred to as index periods (Janicki et al. 1993). These index periods were defined by degree-day limits for specific parts of the state. This approach provided a synoptic assessment of the current status of stream biota, water quality, and physical habitat in the 17 basins sampled. The spring index period was the time period between approximately March 1 and May 1, with end of the index period determined by degree-day accumulation as specified in Hilsenhoff (1987). In reality, most spring samples (78%) were collected in March, well before degree-day accumulation limits were approached. The summer index period was between June 1 and September 30 (Kazyak 1994).

Data Collection and Measurement

Field sampling followed procedures specified in the MBSS sampling manual (e.g., Kazyak 1996). A summary of the variables measured and the field and laboratory methods used to conduct the sampling follows.

Fish

Fish were sampled during the summer index period using double-pass electrofishing within 75-meter stream segments. Block nets were placed at each end of the segment and direct current backpack electrofishing units were used to sample the entire segment. An attempt was made to thoroughly fish each segment, and consistent effort was applied over the two passes. This sampling approach allowed calculation of several metrics useful in calculating a biological index and produced unbiased estimates of fish species abundance.

In small streams, a single electrofishing unit was used. In larger streams, two to five units were employed to effectively sample the site. Captured fish were identified to species, counted, weighed, and released. Any individuals that could not be identified to species were retained for laboratory confirmation. For each pass, all individuals of each gamefish species (defined as trout, bass, walleye, pike, chain pickerel, and striped bass) were measured for total length and examined for visible external pathologies or anomalies. For nongame species, up to 100 fish of each species (from both passes) were examined for visible external pathologies or anomalies. For each pass, all non-game species were weighed together for an aggregate biomass measurement; gamefish were also weighed in aggregate to the nearest 10 g.

Electrofishing was also conducted at supplemental, non-randomly selected sites during the summer index period. The presence of each species of fish was recorded for these segments to provide additional qualitative information on statewide fish distributions. Sampling effort at most qualitative sites was based on doubling the elapsed time since the last species was recorded or a minimum of 600 seconds of electrofishing effort.

After processing the fish collected in the field, voucher

specimens were retained for each species not previously collected in the drainage basin. In addition, all individuals which could not be positively identified in the field were retained. The remaining fish were released. All voucher specimens and fish retained for positive identification in the laboratory were examined and verified by the MBSS Quality Assurance Officer or ichthyologists at Frostburg State University, Frostburg, Maryland or the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC.

Benthic Macroinvertebrates

Benthic macroinvertebrates were collected to provide a qualitative description of the community composition at each sampling site (Kazyak 1996). Sampling was conducted during the spring index period. Benthic community data were collected for the purpose of calculating biological metrics, such as those described in EPA's Rapid Bioassessment Protocols (Plafkin et al. 1989), and use as an indicator of biological integrity for Maryland streams.

At each segment, a 600 micron mesh "D" net was used to collect organisms from habitats likely to support the greatest taxonomic diversity. A riffle area was preferred, but other habitats were also sampled using a variety of techniques including kicking, jabbing, and gently rubbing hard surfaces by hand to dislodge organisms. If available, other habitat types were sampled, including rootwads, woody debris, leaf packs, macrophytes, and undercut banks. Each jab covered one square foot, and a total of approximately 2.0 m² (20 square feet) of combined substrates was sampled and preserved in 70% ethanol. In the laboratory, the preserved sample was transferred to a gridded pan and organisms were picked from randomly selected grid cells until the cell that contained the 100th individual (if possible) was completely picked. Some samples had fewer than 100 individuals. The benthic macroinvertebrates were identified to genus, or lowest practicable taxon, in the laboratory.

Index of Biotic Integrity

Sites were evaluated using both the fish (F-IBI) and benthic macroinvertebrate (B-IBI) IBIs developed for the MBSS (for detailed methods, see Roth et al. 1997 and Stribling et al. 1998). IBI scores for the MBSS are

determined by comparing the fish or benthic macroinvertebrate assemblages at each site to those found at minimally impacted reference sites. Three separate formulations were employed for the fish IBI, one for each of three distinct geographic areas: Coastal Plain, Eastern Piedmont, and Highland. The two formulations used for the benthic IBI cover the Coastal Plain and non-Coastal Plain regions. Individual metrics for the IBI are scored 1, 3, or 5, based on comparison with the distribution of metric values at reference sites. For either the individual metrics or total IBI, a score of 3 or greater is considered comparable to reference site conditions, while scores falling below this threshold differ significantly from the reference conditions. Scores for the MBSS IBIs are calculated as the mean of the individual metric scores and therefore range from 1 to 5. Some other programs have used a similar approach (e.g., Weisberg et al. 1997), while others have instead computed the IBI as the total of individual metric scores. For example, Karr et al. (1986) calculated IBI as the sum of 12 metric scores, with totals ranging from 12 to 60 points.

Reptiles and Amphibians

At each sample segment, reptiles and amphibians were identified and the presence of observed species was recorded during the summer index period. A search of the riparian area was conducted within 5 meters of the stream on both sides of the 75-meter segment. Any reptiles and amphibians collected during the electrofishing of the stream segment were also included in the species list. Individuals were identified to species when possible. Voucher specimens and individuals not positively identifiable in the field were retained for examination in the laboratory and confirmation by herpetologists at the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, or Towson University, Towson, Maryland.

Physical Habitat

Habitat assessments were conducted at all stream segments as a means of assessing the importance of physical habitat to the biological integrity and fishability of freshwater streams in Maryland. Procedures for habitat assessments (Kazyak 1996) were derived from two currently used methodologies: EPA's Rapid

Bioassessment Protocols (RBPs) (Plafkin et al. 1989), as modified by Barbour and Stribling (1991), and the Ohio EPA's Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index (QHEI) (Ohio EPA 1987, Rankin 1989). A number of characteristics (instream habitat, epifaunal substrate, velocity/depth diversity, pool/glide/eddy quality, riffle/run quality, channel alteration, bank stability, embeddedness, channel flow status, and shading) were assessed qualitatively, based on visual observations within each 75-meter sample segment. Riparian zone vegetation width was estimated to the nearest meter, up to 50 meters from the stream. Additional observations of the surrounding area were used to assign ratings for aesthetic value (based on visible signs of human refuse at a site) and remoteness (based on distance from the nearest road, accessibility, and evidence of human activity). Also recorded were the presence or absence of various stream features including substrate types, various morphological characteristics, beaver ponds, point sources, and stream channelization. Local land uses visible from the stream segment and riparian vegetation type were also noted. Several additional physical characteristics were measured quantitatively to further characterize the habitat for each segment (see Kazyak 1996 for details). Quantitative measurements of the segment included maximum depth, stream gradient, velocity, thalweg depth, number of functional rootwads, number of functional large woody debris, wetted width, sinuosity, and overbank flood height. A velocity/depth profile was measured or other data were collected to enable calculation of discharge.

Physical Habitat Index

The Physical Habitat Index (PHI) was developed using MBSS data from 1994 to 1997 (Hall et al. 1999). As was the case in development of the fish and benthic IBIs, the conceptual approach was based on evaluating the relative importance (discriminatory power) of individual metrics and combinations of metrics explaining natural differences in streams throughout Maryland. These metrics were derived from both quantitative and qualitative habitat data collected during the summer index period. Based on analyses conducted for both fish IBI (Roth et al. 1998) and benthic macroinvertebrate IBI (Stribling et al. 1998) development in Maryland, the State was divided into two regions: the Coastal Plain and non-Coastal Plain.

The resulting index was then adjusted to a centile scale that rated each sample segment as follows: Good - 72 to 100; Fair - 42 to 71.9; Poor - 12 to 41.9; and Very Poor - 0 to 11.9.

Water Chemistry

During the spring index period, water samples were collected at each site for analysis of pH, acid neutralizing capacity (ANC), conductivity, sulfate, nitrate-nitrogen, and dissolved organic carbon (DOC). These variables describe basic water quality conditions with an emphasis on factors related to acidic deposition.

Grab samples were collected in one-liter bottles for analysis of all analytes except pH. Water samples for pH were collected with 60 ml syringes, which allowed purging of air bubbles to minimize changes in carbon dioxide content (EPA 1987). Samples were stored on wet ice and shipped on wet ice to the analytical laboratory within 48 hours. Laboratory analyses were carried out by the University of Maryland's Appalachian Laboratory in Frostburg.

Chemical analysis of water samples followed standard methods described in EPA's Handbook of Methods for Acid Deposition Studies (EPA 1987). EPA protocols were followed, except that ANC sample volume was reduced to 40 ml to ease handling. Routine daily quality control (QC) checks included processing duplicate, blank, and calibration samples according to EPA guidelines for each analyte. Field duplicates were taken at 5% of all sites. Routine QC checks helped to identify and correct errors in sampling routines or instrumentation at the earliest possible stage.

During the summer index period, in situ measurements of dissolved oxygen (DO), pH, temperature, and conductivity were collected at each site to further characterize existing water quality conditions that might influence biological communities. Measurements were made at an undisturbed section of the segment, usually in the middle of the stream channel, using electrode probes. Instruments were calibrated daily and calibration logbooks were maintained to document instrument performance.

Recognizing that water temperature is an important factor affecting stream condition, but one that varies

daily and seasonally, temperature loggers were deployed at 220 sites in five basins during 1997. The basins sampled were: the Choptank, Susquehanna, Potomac Washington Metro, Patuxent, and Pocomoke. Onset Computer Corporation Optic Stowaway temperature loggers were anchored in each site during the summer index period. Water temperature was recorded every 15 minutes from June 15 until mid-September.

Mussels

During the summer index period, freshwater mussels were sampled qualitatively by examining each 75-meter stream segment for their presence. Mussels were identified to species, their presence recorded, and subsequently released. Species not positively identifiable in the field were retained for confirmation by U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Biological Resources Division staff.

Aquatic Vegetation

Aquatic vegetation was sampled qualitatively by examining each 75-meter segment for the presence of aquatic plants. Plants were identified to species and their presence recorded for each site. While the primary objective was to document the presence of submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV), emergent and floating aquatic vegetation was also recorded when encountered. Species not positively identifiable in the field were retained for laboratory examination and confirmation by MDNR's staff expert on SAV. Due to the difficulty in long-term preservation, no permanent vouchers of aquatic vegetation were retained.

Data Management

All crews used standardized pre-printed data forms developed for the Survey to ensure that all data for each sampling segment were recorded and standard units of measure were used (Kazyak 1996). Using standard data forms facilitated data entry and minimized transcription error. The field crew leader and a second reviewer checked all data sheets for completeness and legibility before leaving each sampling location. Original data sheets were sent to the Data Management Officer for further review and data entry, while copies were retained by the field crews.

A custom database application, in which the input module was designed to match each of the field data sheets, was used for data entry. Data were independently entered into two databases and compared using a computer program as a quality-control procedure. Differences between the two databases were resolved from original data sheets or through discussions with field crew leaders.

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Maryland Biological Stream Survey Data

COUNTY SUMMARY

Eighty-five sites were sampled in Anne Arundel county by MBSS during 1994-1997 (Table 1; Figure 2). Qualitative fish sampling was conducted at an additional 42 sites to provide a more complete picture of fish species distributions. Appendix A provides a summary of the types of data available for each of the sites sampled.

Species Highlights

A total of 46 fish species were collected in the small to mid-sized streams that were sampled; this number ties the county for a ranking of fourth in the state. About 11% of the sites contained no fish (Table 2). A likely reason for fishless sites is the small size of some streams. This condition is due, in part, to natural factors, but is often exacerbated by the amount of impervious surface in the watershed. Impervious surfaces do not permit percolation into soils that recharge groundwater fed streams. Therefore, flows during dry periods tend to be much lower than in streams that drain forested watersheds.

The 172 genera of benthic macroinvertebrates found ties the county for a ranking of ninth in the state. However, 30% of these taxa were found at only a single site (<2% occurrence) and many appear to be rare on a statewide basis (Table 3).

American eel, eastern mudminnow, and blacknose dace, all pollution-tolerant species, were the most commonly encountered fishes (Table 2). Glassy darter, listed as endangered in Maryland, was also collected. American brook lamprey, a species of special interest due to its restricted distribution and low abundance in Maryland, was collected at 4% of the sites. No federally listed fish species were collected.

Twenty-four species of reptiles and amphibians were found in or near county streams (Table 4), tying it for a ranking of fourth in the state. No state or federally listed species were collected during sampling, but queen snake, a species under consideration for state listing, was found at a single site.

Ecological Health

Consistent with the extensive urbanization present, the

overall ecological health of county streams can best be described as Poor, and conditions are generally less favorable for benthic macroinvertebrates than for fish (Figures 3 and 4). This is partially explained by the lack of benthic habitat. Because Anne Arundel county lies within the Coastal Plain region, most stream bottoms are composed of sand and silt, which make poor habitat for benthos. The best natural habitat in Coastal Plain streams are logs and roots from live trees lining stream banks, but logging practices have greatly reduced the amount of wood in streams.

The average F-IBI score among sites in Anne Arundel county was 2.78 (rating of Poor, but near the Fair range), and the average B-IBI score was 2.1 (rating of Poor). Based on F-IBI and B-IBI scores, the highest rated streams in the county are Lyon's Run and Deep Run (Table 5). Low rated streams include: an unnamed tributary to Muddy Creek, Flat Creek, Gumbottom Branch, Marley Creek, an unnamed tributary to Marley Creek, an unnamed tributary to the Patuxent River, a section of the Little Patuxent River, Bacon Ridge Branch, and an unnamed tributary to Smith Creek.

Physical Habitat

Physical habitat in Anne Arundel County was rated as Fair by the Physical Habitat Index. Values ranged from 1.6 to 96.0, with an average score of 53.3 (mid-range of the Fair category, ranking eleventh among counties in the state) (Table 6; Figure 5). Other noteworthy points about Anne Arundel County streams include a ranking of eighth for large woody debris abundance and a ranking of fifth for instream rootwads (trees whose roots protect banks from erosion and provide habitat for aquatic life). However, instream habitat and epifaunal substrate, with an average rating of 10 and 8, respectively, both ranked eighteenth in the state.

Nitrate-Nitrogen

Nitrate-nitrogen values were moderate and averaged 1.0 mg/L, for a ranking of seventh best in the state. The highest values were found in Stony Run and an unnamed tributary to Sawmill Creek (Table 7). Low nitrate levels were found in the North River, Plum Creek, and an unnamed tributary to the Little Patuxent River. No streams exceeded the EPA limit for drinking water (10 mg/L).

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Site	Latitude	Longitude	Stream Name	Basin	Order	Catchment Acres	% Urban	% Agric.	% Forest
AA-N-011-1-94	39.0014	76.5403	Saltworks Cr	WC	1	428.90	42.74	12.75	42.29
AA-N-011-3-94	38.9995	76.5413	Saltworks Cr	WC	1	388.70	45.07	13.64	39.28
AA-N-011-5-94	39.0020	76.5402	Saltworks Cr	WC	1	436.50	42.41	12.53	42.66
AA-N-012-110-97	38.8680	76.6080	Un Trib To Muddy Cr	WC	1	255.63	9.77	37.75	52.47
AA-N-017-2-94	38.9494	76.6264	Flat Cr	WC	1	233.60	3.48	73.16	23.36
AA-N-017-4-94	38.9492	76.6298	Flat Cr	WC	1	177.80	4.56	77.33	18.11
AA-N-020-124-96	39.1470	76.5620	Un Trib To Sloop Cove	PP	1	162.30	11.74	17.19	69.81
AA-N-021-112-97	38.8890	76.6230	Stockett's Run	PX	1	1487.18	1.21	51.28	46.41
AA-N-022-1-94	39.1133	76.7060	Severn Run	WC	2	1653.20	35.83	17.66	39.00
AA-N-022-2-94	39.1105	76.7036	Severn Run	WC	2	1762.10	36.02	17.56	38.97
AA-N-030-223-95	39.1703	76.7542	Ut Deep Run	PP	2	1174.86	11.54	15.59	70.96
AA-N-034-206-97	39.0180	76.4800	Mill Cr	WC	2	1442.56	17.73	6.81	73.04
AA-N-063-232-97	39.1290	76.7740	Dorsey Run	PX	2	750.23	9.85	14.22	72.21
AA-N-072-103-97	38.9690	76.6330	Tarnans Br	WC	1	947.54	6.55	51.03	40.86
AA-N-075-122-97	39.0422	76.6264	Un Trib To Bacon Ridge Br	WC	1	28.74	0.00	10.46	89.54
AA-N-079-2-94	39.0562	76.5976	Gumbottom Br	WC	1	447.50	0.76	11.87	85.92
AA-N-079-5-94	39.0549	76.5981	Gumbottom Br	WC	1	417.50	0.81	9.39	88.24
AA-N-082-1-94	39.0588	76.5882	Plum Cr	WC	1	558.10	4.39	4.64	88.96
AA-N-082-2-94	39.0558	76.5900	Plum Cr	WC	1	510.90	4.80	3.11	91.23
AA-N-091-303-97	39.1080	76.6600	Severn Run	WC	3	7339.18	30.75	18.04	41.95
AA-N-091-305-97	39.1090	76.6540	Severn Run	WC	3	7492.45	30.12	18.10	42.22
AA-N-091-314-97	39.1080	76.6480	Severn Run	WC	3	7954.98	28.40	19.11	42.28
AA-N-091-320-97	39.1081	76.6566	Severn Run	WC	3	7434.73	30.35	18.10	42.16
AA-N-092-207-97	39.0990	76.7450	Midway Br	PX	2	1632.48	37.02	30.77	31.15
AA-N-092-225-97	39.0940	76.7440	Midway Br	PX	2	1765.89	38.78	31.13	29.11
AA-N-102-1-94	38.9429	76.6239	Flat Cr	WC	1	419.50	6.91	66.06	26.96
AA-N-102-2-94	38.9438	76.6090	Flat Cr	WC	1	1295.50	6.39	40.74	51.31
AA-N-104-114-95	39.1300	76.6336	Ut Marley Creek	PP	1	309.76	67.03	9.78	1.76
AA-N-106-1-94	38.9540	76.6004	Flat Cr	WC	2	2505.20	3.98	33.19	57.95
AA-N-106-2-94	38.9548	76.5990	Flat Cr	WC	2	2525.20	3.92	32.96	58.07
AA-N-106-5-94	38.9544	76.5997	Flat Cr	WC	2	2514.30	3.94	33.12	57.98
AA-N-120-102-97	39.0920	76.4980	Blackhole Cr	WC	1	406.88	0.00	21.42	73.22
AA-N-126-306-95	39.1811	76.6205	Sawmill Creek	PP	3	5224.04	45.86	14.37	18.79
AA-N-135-301-97	39.1090	76.6710	Severn Run	WC	3	4910.37	30.99	16.16	41.51
AA-N-139-1-94	39.0620	76.6404	Jabez Br	WC	1	378.00	19.71	44.66	35.56
AA-N-139-5-94	39.0585	76.6428	Jabez Br	WC	1	253.00	18.81	44.78	36.28
AA-N-152-304-97	39.1180	76.7830	Dorsey Run	PX	3	7728.52	34.01	21.36	33.05
AA-N-152-318-97	39.1150	76.7840	Dorsey Run	PX	3	7814.24	33.95	21.30	32.88
AA-N-160-215-97	39.1140	76.5560	Magothy R	WC	2	3099.11	30.44	27.27	39.75
AA-N-162-216-97	39.1080	76.7030	Schultz Run	WC	2	695.59	9.20	17.66	27.74
AA-N-164-1-94	39.1268	76.6536	Severn Run	WC	2	976.10	40.05	26.14	31.20
AA-N-164-2-94	39.1242	76.6526	Severn Run	WC	2	1033.10	40.25	25.95	29.58
AA-N-170-1-94	39.1203	76.7273	Severn Run	WC	1	42.30	64.54	2.36	25.77
AA-N-170-2-94	39.1180	76.7097	Severn Run	WC	1	340.90	27.54	6.92	60.03
AA-N-170-5-94	39.1198	76.7144	Severn Run	WC	1	289.40	23.75	7.36	62.50
AA-N-170-6-94	39.1203	76.7169	Severn Run	WC	1	242.50	21.44	4.77	66.32
AA-N-172-209-95	39.1586	76.6499	Sawmill Creek	PP	2	1715.88	9.95	27.89	35.50
AA-N-176-1-94	39.1048	76.7796	Little Patuxent R	PX	1	359.70	55.91	23.35	20.74

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Site	Latitude	Longitude	Stream Name	Basin	Order	Catchment Acres	% Urban	% Agric.	% Forest
AA-N-176-2-94	39.1046	76.7797	Little Patuxent R	PX	1	365.10	55.08	22.93	21.61
AA-N-178-1-94	39.0972	76.6383	Severn Run	WC	3	10196.20	27.44	19.00	40.76
AA-N-178-2-94	39.0978	76.6380	Severn Run	WC	3	10190.40	27.46	19.01	40.74
AA-N-180-130-95	39.1408	76.7087	Stony Run	PP	1	335.32	25.53	15.50	33.33
AA-N-186-115-96	39.1820	76.6230	Un Trib To Sawmill Cr	PP	1	244.63	80.81	5.01	14.19
AA-N-190-101-97	38.8150	76.6980	Un Trib To Patuxent R	PX	1	230.91	18.13	45.61	36.26
AA-N-201-203-97	39.0790	76.6330	Jabez Br	WC	2	3364.10	16.74	26.90	54.16
AA-N-209-104-97	39.1190	76.5450	Un Trib To Magothy R	WC	1	265.31	75.83	5.34	16.79
AA-N-211-101-97	38.8870	76.5940	Un Trib To Mill Swamp Br	WC	1	107.36	0.00	89.21	10.79
AA-N-230-302-97	39.1030	76.6900	Severn Run	WC	3	2754.80	26.55	19.51	36.98
AA-N-230-307-97	39.1070	76.6980	Severn Run	WC	3	2569.85	28.28	17.70	36.15
AA-N-230-313-97	39.1080	76.7000	Severn Run	WC	3	2520.82	28.28	17.61	35.93
AA-N-230-319-97	39.1082	76.7020	Severn Run	WC	3	714.69	9.14	18.05	28.67
AA-N-244-203-95	39.1788	76.6265	Ut Sawmill Creek	PP	2	577.93	75.77	10.61	13.56
AA-N-250-217-97	38.9970	76.6340	North R	WC	2	2645.03	2.36	29.78	61.66
AA-N-258-121-97	39.0305	76.5995	Un Trib To Deep Ditch Br	WC	1	90.09	26.42	17.36	56.23
AA-N-262-101-96	39.1480	76.6120	Marley Cr	PP	1	832.57	89.74	2.62	7.56
AA-N-268-2-94	39.1086	76.7755	Little Patuxent R	PX	1	278.30	68.34	8.91	22.75
AA-N-268-4-94	39.1106	76.7732	Little Patuxent R	PX	1	247.70	66.33	9.33	24.34
AA-N-278-109-97	39.0420	76.6440	Bacon Ridge Br	WC	1	507.59	17.80	49.28	32.86
AA-N-281-1-94	39.0997	76.6394	Severn Run	WC	3	9713.70	27.91	19.50	40.48
AA-N-281-2-94	39.0989	76.6381	Severn Run	WC	3	9767.10	27.76	19.49	40.69
AA-N-281-310-97	39.1050	76.6410	Severn Run	WC	3	9800.11	28.39	19.20	39.50
AA-N-281-311-97	39.1010	76.6400	Severn Run	WC	3	9914.58	28.07	19.14	39.90
AA-N-288-1-94	39.0610	76.5860	Plum Cr	WC	2	1282.40	2.18	15.95	78.00
AA-N-288-3-94	39.0606	76.5867	Plum Cr	WC	2	1277.30	2.18	16.01	78.13
AA-N-307-218-97	39.0400	76.7150	Un Trib To Little Patuxent R	PX	2	377.47	0.36	22.55	57.55
AA-N-321-117-97	39.0050	76.6890	Un Trib To Little Patuxent	PX	1	1132.62	38.09	27.96	29.23
AA-N-323-225-96	39.1580	76.6520	Sawmill Cr	PP	2	1545.72	11.72	25.34	33.69
AA-N-337-102-97	39.0980	76.7320	Franklin Br	PX	1	776.50	69.26	18.82	11.93
AA-S-001-226-97	38.7670	76.6280	Lyon's Cr	PX	2	5024.70	7.23	59.69	27.37
AA-S-008-132-97	38.7450	76.6110	Hall Cr	PX	1	442.62	4.99	36.51	58.49
AA-S-024-138-97	38.7730	76.6790	Deep Cr	PX	1	650.53	2.57	52.25	40.84
AA-S-037-214-97	38.8500	76.5640	Un Trib To Smith Cr	WC	2	1372.50	0.27	44.67	50.06
CA-S-197-302-97	38.7650	76.6600	Lyons Cr	PX	3	9590.68	6.59	58.14	28.92
HO-N-019-304-96	39.1990	76.7130	Deep Run	PP	3	12108.18	21.23	24.74	51.20
HO-N-026-305-95	39.1793	76.7383	Deep Run	PP	3	4944.79	23.35	32.84	42.57

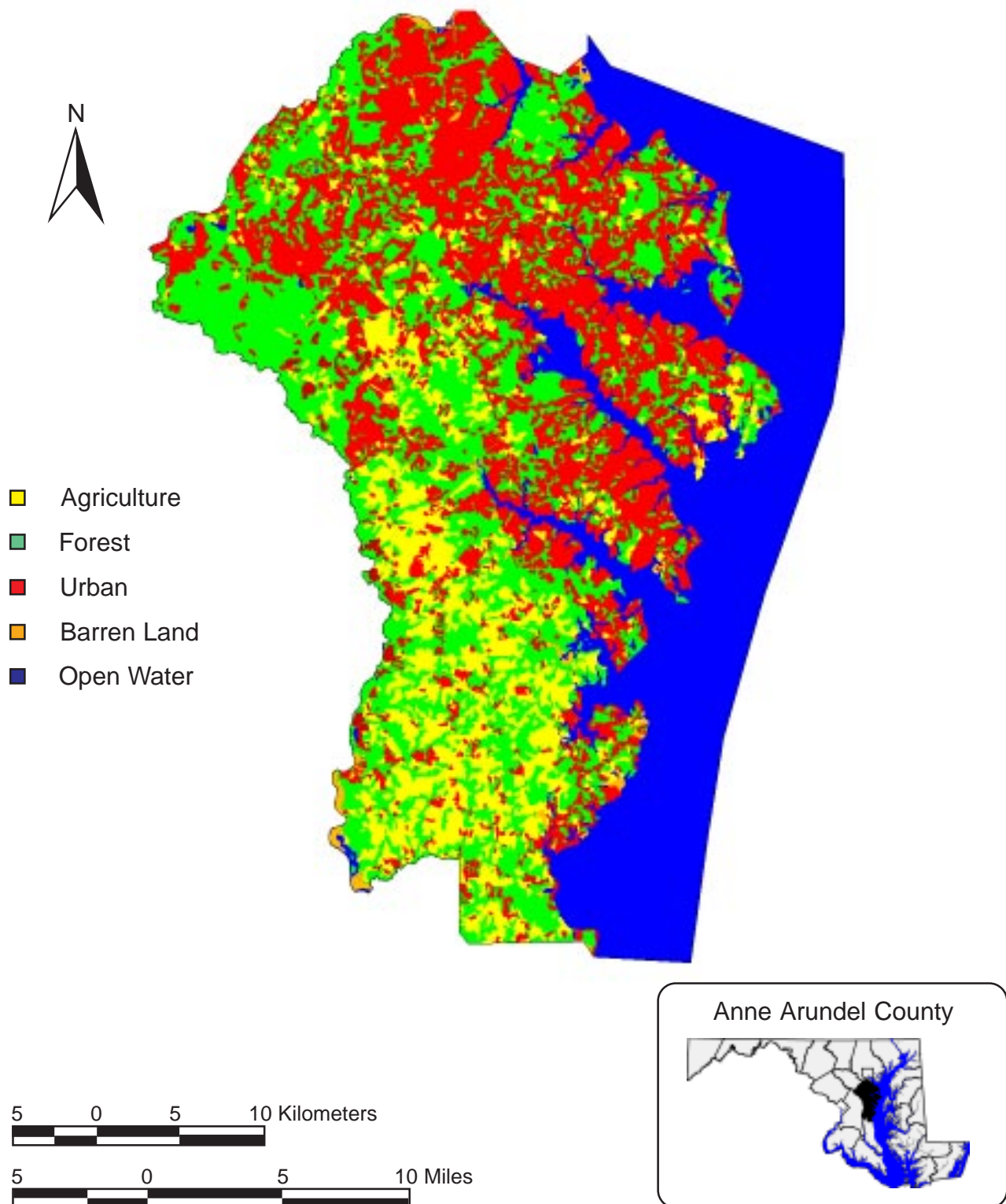


Figure 1. Land use in Anne Arundel County (MOP 1994).

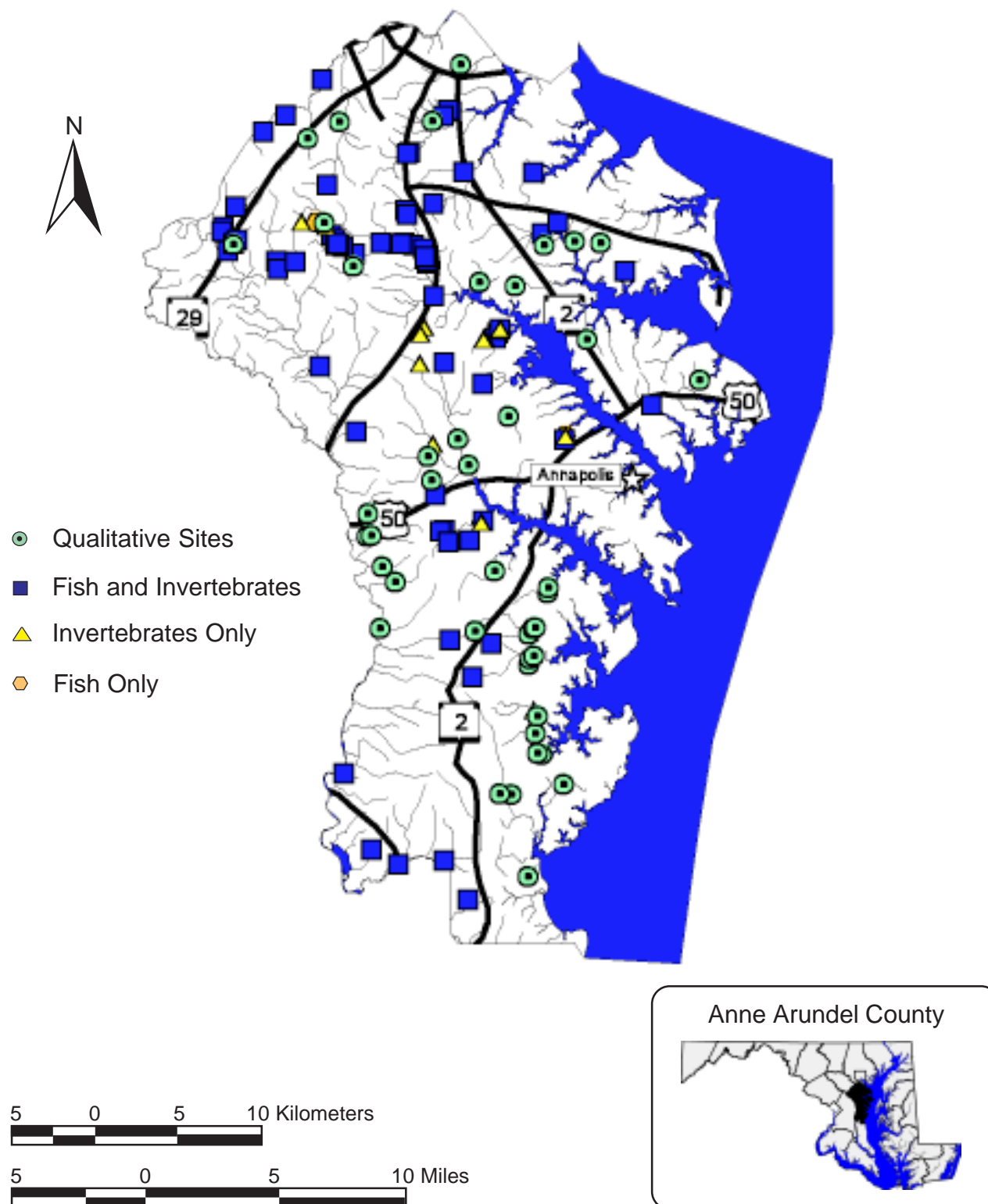


Figure 2. Location of Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Table 2. Percent occurrence of fish species collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Family	Common Name	Scientific Name	Number of Occurrences	Percent Occurrence
Petromyzontidae	least brook lamprey	<i>Lampetra aepyptera</i>	11	15.07
	American brook lamprey	<i>Lampetra appendix</i>	3	4.11
	sea lamprey	<i>Petromyzon marinus</i>	2	2.74
Anguillidae	American eel	<i>Anguilla rostrata</i>	51	69.86
Clupeidae	gizzard shad	<i>Dorosoma cepedianum</i>	1	1.37
Cyprinidae	goldfish	<i>Carassius auratus</i>	1	1.37
	rosyside dace	<i>Clinostomus funduloides</i>	7	9.59
	satinfish shiner	<i>Cyprinella analostana</i>	6	8.22
	spotfin shiner	<i>Cyprinella spiloptera</i>	1	1.37
	common carp	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	1	1.37
	cutlips minnow	<i>Exoglossum maxillingua</i>	1	1.37
	eastern silvery minnow ²	<i>Hybognathus regius</i>		
	common shiner	<i>Luxilus cornutus</i>	6	8.22
	river chub ²	<i>Nocomis micropogon</i>		
	golden shiner	<i>Notemigonus crysoleucas</i>	14	19.18
	spottail shiner	<i>Notropis hudsonius</i>	2	2.74
	swallowtail shiner	<i>Notropis procne</i>	8	10.96
	rosyface shiner ²	<i>Notropis rubellus</i>		
	blacknose dace	<i>Rhinichthys atratulus</i>	39	53.42
	longnose dace	<i>Rhinichthys cataractae</i>	5	6.85
	creek chub	<i>Semotilus atromaculatus</i>	7	9.59
	fallfish	<i>Semotilus corporalis</i>	12	16.44
Catostomidae	white sucker	<i>Catostomus commersoni</i>	31	42.47
	creek chubsucker	<i>Erimyzon oblongus</i>	5	6.85
	northern hogsucker	<i>Hypentelium nigricans</i>	1	1.37
Ictaluridae	white catfish ²	<i>Ameiurus catus</i>		
	yellow bullhead	<i>Ameiurus natalis</i>	1	1.37
	brown bullhead	<i>Ameiurus nebulosus</i>	16	21.92
	channel catfish ²	<i>Ictalurus punctatus</i>		
	tadpole madtom	<i>Noturus gyrinus</i>	2	2.74
Esocidae	redfin pickerel	<i>Esox americanus vermiculatus</i>	14	19.18
	chain pickerel	<i>Esox niger</i>	20	27.40
Umbridae	eastern mudminnow	<i>Umbra pygmaea</i>	48	65.75
Salmonidae	rainbow trout	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	3	4.11
Aphredoderidae	pirate perch	<i>Aphredoderus sayanus</i>	1	1.37
Cyprinodontidae	mummichog	<i>Fundulus heteroclitus</i>	1	1.37
Poeciliidae	mosquitofish	<i>Gambusia affinis</i>	1	1.37
Cottidae	mottled sculpin	<i>Cottus bairdi</i>	1	1.37
Percichthyidae	striped bass	<i>Morone saxatilis</i>	4	5.48
Centrarchidae	rock bass	<i>Ambloplites rupestris</i>	1	1.37
	bluespotted sunfish	<i>Enneacanthus gloriosus</i>	4	5.48
	banded sunfish	<i>Enneacanthus obesus</i>	1	1.37
	redbreast sunfish	<i>Lepomis auritus</i>	6	8.22
	green sunfish	<i>Lepomis cyanellus</i>	20	27.40
	pumpkinseed	<i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>	29	39.73
	warmouth ²	<i>Lepomis gulosus</i>		
	bluegill	<i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	30	41.10
	smallmouth bass	<i>Micropterus dolomieu</i>	3	4.11
	largemouth bass	<i>Micropterus salmoides</i>	9	12.33

Table 2 (cont.). Percent occurrence of fish species collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

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Percidae	black crappie	<i>Pomoxis nigromaculatus</i>	1	1.37
	tessellated darter	<i>Etheostoma olmstedi</i>	44	60.27
	glassy darter ²	<i>Etheostoma vitreum</i>		
	yellow perch	<i>Perca flavescens</i>	17	23.29
	shield darter ²	<i>Percina peltata</i>		
None			8	10.96

¹ Qualitative Sites

² Fourth- or Fifth-Order Sites

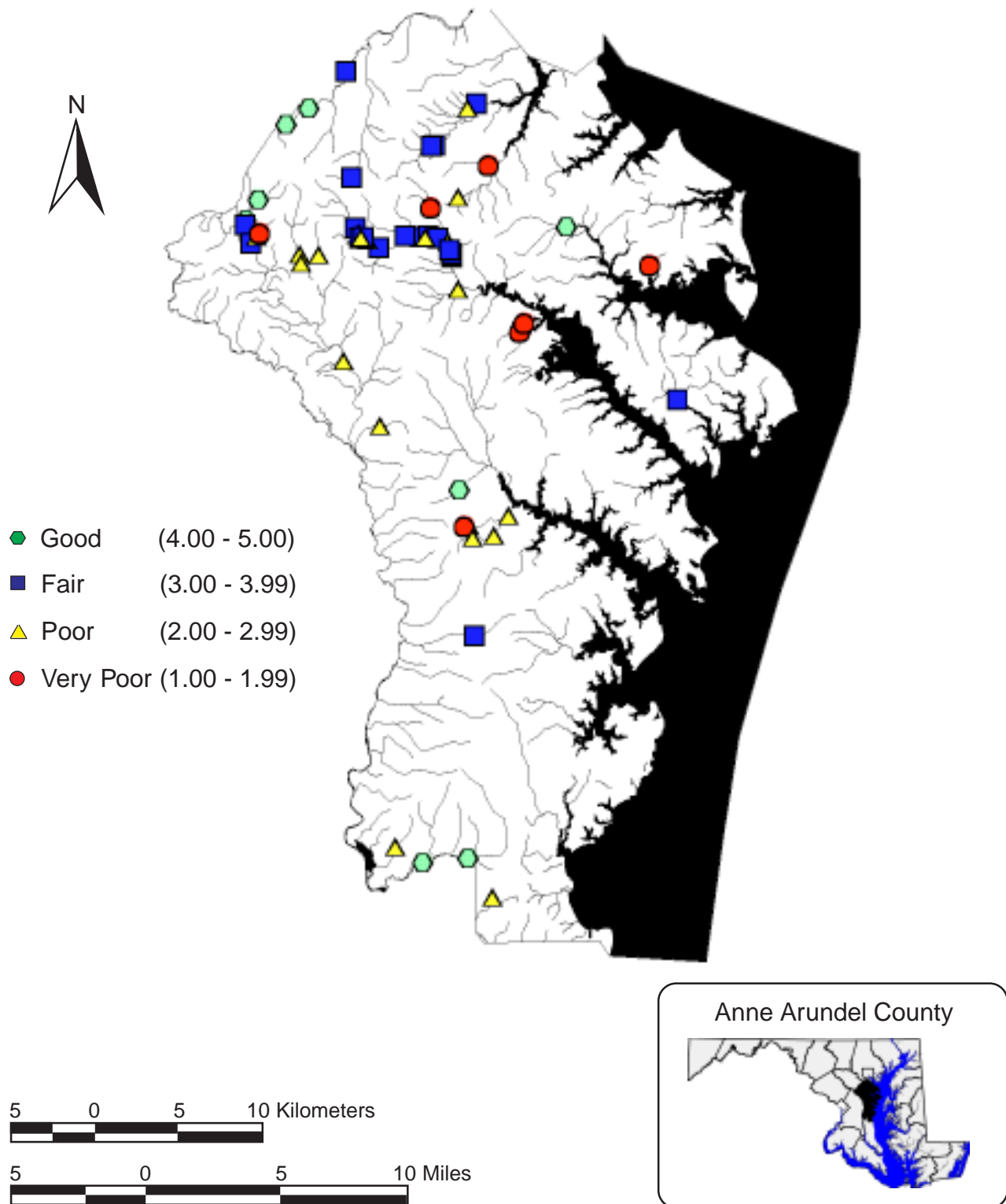


Figure 3. Stream ecological conditions based on the Fish Index of Biotic Integrity (F-IBI) at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Table 3. Tolerance Value (TV)¹, Functional Feeding Group (FFG), Habit, and Percent Occurrence of benthic macroinvertebrate taxa² collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997. Abbreviations of habits are as follows: bu - burrower, cn - clinger, cb - climber, sp - sprawler, dv - diver, and sk - skater.

Class	Order	Family	Genus	TV	FFG	Habit	Percent Occurrence
Nematomorpha ³						bu	1.64
Enopla	Hoplonemertea	Tetrastemmatidae	Prostoma Sp.		Predator		9.84
Turbellaria	Tricladida	Planariidae		6	Predator	sp	1.64
			Cura Sp.			sp	1.64
			Dugesia Sp.	7	Predator	sp	4.92
Oligochaeta				10	Collector	bu	1.64
	Lumbriculida	Lumbriculidae		10	Collector	bu	14.75
	Tubificida	Enchytraeidae		10	Collector	bu	8.20
		Naididae		10	Collector	bu	24.59
		Tubificidae		10	Collector	cn	32.79
			Limnodrilus Sp.	10	Collector	cn	9.84
Gastropoda	Basommatophora	Lymnaeidae	Pseudosuccinea Sp.	6	Collector	cb	6.56
		Physidae	Physella Sp.	8	Scraper	cb	9.84
		Planorbidae	Gyraulus Sp.	8	Scraper	cb	3.28
			Helisoma Sp.	6	Scraper	cb	1.64
			Menetus Sp.	8	Scraper	cb	3.28
Pelecypoda	Veneroida	Corbiculidae	Corbicula Sp.	6	Filterer	bu	1.64
		Sphaeriidae	Pisidium Sp.	8	Filterer	bu	21.31
			Sphaerium Sp.	8	Filterer	bu	1.64
Copepoda				8	Collector		1.64
Malacostraca	Amphipoda	Crangonyctidae	Crangonyx Sp.	4	Collector	sp	39.34
		Gammaridae	Gammarus Sp.	6	Shredder	sp	18.03
			Stygonectes Sp.	6	Shredder	sp	3.28
		Hyalellidae	Hyalella Sp.	6	Shredder	sp	11.48
Malacostraca	Amphipoda					sp	6.56
Malacostraca	Decapoda	Cambaridae		6	Shredder	sp	1.64
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Asellidae	Caecidotea Sp.	8	Collector	sp	22.95
Insecta	Collembola						6.56
Insecta	Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Acentrella Sp.	4	Collector	sw, cn	13.11
			Acerpenna Sp.	4	Collector	sw, cn	11.48
			Centroptilum Sp.	2	Collector	sw, cn	4.92
			Dipheter Sp.		Collector	sw, cn	1.64
		Ephemerellidae	Ephemerella Sp.	2	Collector	cn, sw	1.64
			Eurylophella Sp.	4	Scraper	cn, sp	18.03
		Heptageniidae	Epeorus Sp.	0	Scraper	cn	1.64
			Stenonema Sp.	4	Scraper	cn	21.31
		Leptophlebiidae			Collector	sw, cn	1.64
			Leptophlebia Sp.	4	Collector	sw, cn, sp	3.28
			Paraleptophlebia Sp.	2	Collector	sw, cn, sp	6.56
Insecta	Odonata	Aeshnidae	Boyeria Sp.	2	Predator	cb, sp	18.03
		Calopterygidae	Calopteryx Sp.	6	Predator	cb	18.03
		Coenagrionidae			Predator	cb	3.28
			Argia Sp.	8	Predator	cn, cb, sp	1.64
		Cordulegastridae	Cordulegaster Sp.	3	Predator	bu	4.92
		Gomphidae			Predator	bu	1.64
			Stylogomphus Sp.		Predator	bu	1.64
Insecta	Plecoptera	Capniidae	Allocapnia Sp.	3	Shredder	cn	4.92

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Class	Order	Family	Genus	TV	FFG	Habit	Percent Occurrence
Insecta	Hemiptera	Chloroperlidae	Paracapnia Sp.	1	Shredder	-	3.28
			Alloperla Sp.		Predator	cn	1.64
		Leuctridae			Shredder	sp, cn	1.64
			Leuctra Sp.	0	Shredder	cn	11.48
		Nemouridae			Shredder	sp, cn	6.56
			Amphinemura Sp.	3	Shredder	sp, cn	29.51
			Ostrocerca Sp.		Shredder	sp, cn	4.92
		Perlidae	Prostoia Sp.		Shredder	sp, cn	19.67
					Predator	cn	3.28
			Acroneuria Sp.	0	Predator	cn	1.64
		Perlodidae			Predator	cn	1.64
			Isoperla Sp.	2	Predator	cn, sp	13.11
		Taeniopterygidae	Oemopteryx Sp.		Shredder	sp, cn	1.64
			Taeniopteryx Sp.	2	Shredder	sp, cn	11.48
		Corixidae			Predator	sw	8.20
			Gerris Sp.		Predator	skater	1.64
		Veliidae	Microvelia Sp.	6	Predator	skater	1.64
	Megaloptera	Corydalidae	Nigronia Sp.	0	Predator	cn, cb	11.48
			Sialis Sp.	4	Predator	bu, cb, cn	3.28
	Trichoptera	Brachycentridae	Micrasema Sp.	2	Shredder	cn, sp	1.64
			Glossosomatidae		Scraper	cn	1.64
		Hydropsychidae	Cheumatopsyche Sp.	5	Filterer	cn	32.79
			Diplectrona Sp.	2	Filterer	cn	8.20
			Hydropsyche Sp.	6	Filterer	cn	34.43
		Lepidostomatidae	Lepidostoma Sp.	3	Shredder	cb, sp, cn	3.28
			Oecetis Sp.	8	Predator	cn, sp, cb	4.92
		Limnephilidae			Shredder	cb, sp, cn	19.67
			Hydatophylax Sp.	2	Shredder	sp, cb	1.64
			Ironoquia Sp.	3	Shredder	sp	9.84
		Philopotamidae	Pycnopsyche Sp.	4	Shredder	sp, cb, cn	6.56
			Chimarra Sp.	4	Filterer	cn	3.28
			Dolophilodes Sp.	0	Filterer	cn	3.28
		Phryganeidae	Ptilostomis Sp.	5	Shredder	cb	8.20
		Polycentropodidae	Polycentropus Sp.	5	Filterer	cn	3.28
		Psychomyiidae	Lype Sp.	2	Scraper	cn	8.20
		Sericostomatidae	Agarodes Sp.	3	Shredder	sp	1.64
			Uenoidae	3	Scraper	cn	8.20
	Lepidoptera			6			1.64
		Pyalidae			Shredder	cb	3.28
Insecta	Coleoptera	Dryopidae	Helichus Sp.	5	Scraper	cn	4.92
			Dytiscidae	5	Predator	sw, dv	1.64
		Elmidae	Agabus Sp.	5	Predator	sw, dv	6.56
			Hydroporus Sp.	5	Predator	sw, cb	4.92
			Ancyronyx Sp.	2	Scraper	cn, sp	6.56
		Elmidae	Dubiraphia Sp.	6	Scraper	cn, cb	6.56
			Macronychus Sp.	4	Scraper	cn	3.28
			Optioservus Sp.	4	Scraper	cn	6.56

Table 3 (cont.). Tolerance Value (TV)¹, Functional Feeding Group (FFG), Habit, and Percent Occurrence of benthic macroinvertebrate taxa² collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997. Abbreviations of habits are as follows: bu - burrower, cn - clinger, cb - climber, sp - sprawler, dv - diver, and sk - skater.

Class	Order	Family	Genus	TV	FFG	Habit	Percent Occurrence
Insecta	Diptera	Gyrinidae	Oulimnius Sp.	2	Scraper	cn	4.92
			Stenelmis Sp.	6	Scraper	cn	11.48
			Dineutus Sp.	4	Predator	sw, dv	4.92
			Peltodytes Sp.	5	Shredder	cb, cn	1.64
		Hydrophilidae	Hydrobius Sp.	5	Collector	cb, cn, sp	3.28
		Ptilodactylidae	Tropisternus Sp.	10	Collector	cb	1.64
			Anchytarsus Sp.	4	Shredder	cn	1.64
		Ceratopogonidae			Predator	sp, bu	3.28
			Bezzia Sp.	6	Predator	bu	1.64
		Chironomidae	Culicoides Sp.	10	Predator	bu	6.56
			Probezzia Sp.	6	Predator	bu	1.64
			Ablabesmyia Sp.	8	Predator	sp	3.28
			Apsectrotanytus Sp.	5	Predator	bu, sp	1.64
			Brillia Sp.	5	Shredder	bu, sp	8.20
			Chironomus Sp.	10	Collector	bu	1.64
			Cladotanytarsus Sp.	7	Filterer	-	1.64
			Conchapelopia Sp.	6	Predator	sp	31.15
			Corynoneura Sp.	7	Collector	sp	3.28
			Cricotopus Sp.	7	Shredder	cn, bu	8.20
			Cricotopus/ Orthocladius Sp.		Shredder		62.30
			Cryptochironomus Sp.	8	Predator	sp, bu	6.56
			Diamesa Sp.	5	Collector	sp	11.48
			Dicrotendipes Sp.	10	Collector	bu	1.64
			Diplocladius Sp.	7	Collector	sp	3.28
			Eukiefferiella Sp.	8	Collector	sp	29.51
			Heterotrissocladius Sp.		Collector	sp, bu	6.56
			Hydrobaenus Sp.	8	Scraper	sp	11.48
			Krenopelopia Sp.		Predator	sp	1.64
			Labrundinia Sp.	7	Predator	sp	1.64
			Larsia Sp.	6	Predator	sp	1.64
			Micropsectra Sp.	7	Collector	cb, sp	3.28
			Microtendipes Sp.	6	Filterer	cn	3.28
			Nanocladius Sp.	3	Collector	sp	4.92
			Natarsia Sp.	8	Predator	sp	3.28
			Odontomesa Sp.	4	Collector	sp	1.64
			Orthoclaadiinae A Sp.		Collector		26.23
			Orthocladius Sp.	6	Collector	sp, bu	6.56
			Parametriocnemus Sp.	5	Collector	sp	36.07
			Paraphaenocladius Sp.	4	Collector	sp	3.28
			Paratanytarsus Sp.	6	Collector	sp	6.56
			Polypedilum Sp.	6	Shredder	cb, cn	31.15
			Prodiamesa Sp.	3	Collector	bu, sp	1.64
			Psectrocladius Sp.	8	Shredder	sp, bu	1.64
			Pseudorthocladius Sp.	0	Collector	sp	4.92
			Rheocricotopus Sp.	6	Collector	sp	31.15

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Class	Order	Family	Genus	TV	FFG	Habit	Percent Occurrence
			Rheosmittia Sp.				1.64
			Rheotanytarsus Sp.	6	Filterer	cn	18.03
			Saetheria Sp.	4	Collector	bu	3.28
			Stenochironomus Sp.	5	Shredder	bu	6.56
			Sublettea Sp.		Collector	-	1.64
			Symposiocladius Sp.		Predator	sp	11.48
			Sympotthastia Sp.	2	Collector	sp	1.64
			Tanytarsus Sp.	6	Filterer	cb, cn	18.03
			Thienemanniella Sp.	6	Collector	sp	8.20
			Thienemannimyia Sp.		Predator	sp	9.84
			Tribelos Sp.	5	Collector	bu	4.92
			Trissopelopia Sp.		Predator	sp	4.92
			Tvetenia Sp.	5	Collector	sp	3.28
			ORTHOCLADIINAE		Collector		3.28
			Xylotopus Sp.	2	Shredder	bu	3.28
			Zavreliomyia Sp.	8	Predator	sp	6.56
		Empididae			Predator	sp, bu	1.64
			Chelifera Sp.		Predator	sp, bu	21.31
			Clinocera Sp.		Predator	cn	6.56
			Hemerodromia Sp.	6	Predator	sp, bu	21.31
		Simuliidae		7	Filterer	cn	3.28
			Prosimulium Sp.	7	Filterer	cn	11.48
			Simulium Sp.	7	Filterer	cn	21.31
			Stegopterna Sp.	7	Filterer	cn	27.87
		Syrphidae			Collector	bu	1.64
		Tipulidae	Chrysogaster Sp.		Predator	bu, sp	1.64
			Antocha Sp.	5	Collector	cn	3.28
			Dicranota Sp.	4	Predator	sp, bu	3.28
			Hexatoma Sp.	4	Predator	bu, sp	6.56
			Limonia Sp.	6	Shredder	bu, sp	1.64
			Pseudolimnophila Sp.	2	Predator	bu	6.56
			Tipula Sp.	4	Shredder	bu	18.03

¹ Tolerance values are on a 0 (extremely sensitive) to 10 (tolerant) scale.

² Taxa not identified to genus are presented in capital letters. Subfamily - Orthocladiinae.

³ Nematomorpha is a phylum level identification. No further identification was made.

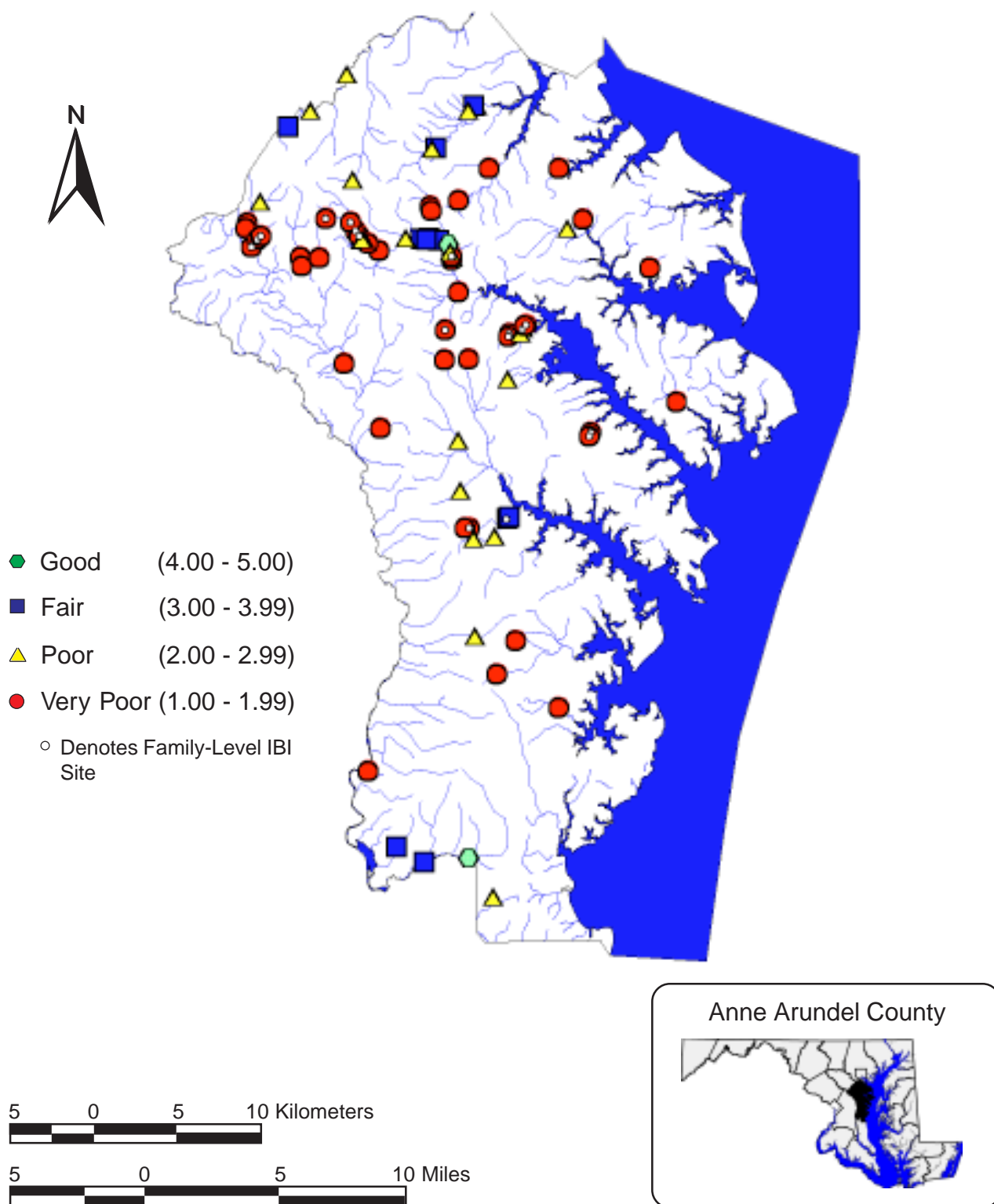


Figure 4. Stream ecological conditions based on the Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity (B-IBI) at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Table 4. Percent occurrence of reptile and amphibian species collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Family	Common Name	Scientific Name	Number of Occurrences	Percent Occurrence
Plethodontidae	eastern mud salamander	<i>Pseudotriton m. montanus</i>	1	1.37
	northern dusky salamander	<i>Desmognathus f. fuscus</i>	2	2.74
	northern two-lined salamander	<i>Eurycea bislineata</i>	12	16.44
	red salamander	<i>Pseudotriton ruber</i>	1	1.37
	redback salamander	<i>Plethodon cinereus</i>	1	1.37
Bufonidae	American toad	<i>Bufo americanus</i>	6	8.22
	Fowler's toad	<i>Bufo woodhousii fowleri</i>	2	2.74
Hylidae	gray treefrog	<i>Hyla versicolor/ chrysocelis</i>	1	1.37
	northern cricket frog	<i>Acris crepitans</i>	2	2.74
	northern spring peeper	<i>Pseudacris c. crucifer</i>	1	1.37
Ranidae	bullfrog	<i>Rana catesbeiana</i>	30	41.10
	green frog	<i>Rana clamitans melanota</i>	46	63.01
	northern leopard frog	<i>Rana pipiens</i>	4	5.48
	pickerel frog	<i>Rana palaustris</i>	19	26.03
	southern leopard frog	<i>Rana utricularia</i>	2	2.74
	wood frog	<i>Rana sylvatica</i>	3	4.11
Chelydridae	common snapping turtle	<i>Chelydra serpentina</i>	2	2.74
Kinosternidae	common musk turtle	<i>Sternotherus odoratus</i>	1	1.37
Emydidae	eastern box turtle	<i>Terrapene c. carolina</i>	10	13.70
	eastern painted turtle	<i>Chrysemys p. picta</i>	2	2.74
Scincidae	five-lined skink	<i>Eumeces fasciatus</i>	2	2.74
Colubridae	northern water snake	<i>Nerodia s. sipedon</i>	1	1.37
	queen snake	<i>Regina septemvittata</i>	1	1.37
None			7	9.59

Table 5. Physical habitat data for Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

	Instream Habitat ¹	Velocity/Depth Diversity ¹		Riffle Quality ¹		Percent Shading ¹		Number of Woody Debris		Percent Channel Flow ¹		Bank Stability ¹		Aesthetic Rating ¹	
Site		Epifaunal Substrate ¹		Pool Quality ¹		Percent Embeddedness ¹		Maximum Depth (cm) ¹		Number of Rootwads		Channel Alteration ¹		Riparian Width (m) ¹	
AA-N-011-3-94	10	3	10	13	7	99	95	88	2		90	4	13	50	18
AA-N-011-5-94	12	5	10	10	13	99	90	61	5		90	16	10	50	16
AA-N-012-110-97	6	4	4	6	7	90	50	9	0	0	85	7	8	5	9
AA-N-017-2-94	8	4	5	7	7	99	95	24	2		70	5	2	50	18
AA-N-017-4-94	3	3	5	6	6	99	90	24	0		50	4	11	35	16
AA-N-020-124-96	12	1	3	9	2	100	95	43	3	0	90	4	9	0	1
AA-N-021-112-97	7	5	13	12	11	35	80	67	6	1	80	10	6	50	12
AA-N-022-1-94	14	7	12	11	12	50	75	52	6		95	16	14	10	2
AA-N-022-2-94	17	14	13	16	11	50	80	57	3		95	16	15	50	4
AA-N-030-223-95	17	13	11	17	7	25	80	57	11	3	75	11	10	0	6
AA-N-034-206-97	15	16	12	17	17	85	80	75	6	5	95	10	13	50	5
AA-N-063-232-97	15	13	6	16	7	40	85	77	4	3	50	5	4	15	12
AA-N-072-103-97	12	11	10	12	14	70	70	42	4	1	75	6	3	21	10
AA-N-075-122-97	5	3	3	3	6	100	90	6	0	0	80	5	18	50	3
AA-N-082-1-94	4	2	2	2	3	99	95	27			20	16	16	50	17
AA-N-082-2-94	4	3	5	5	6	99	85	26	3		70	5	3	25	12
AA-N-091-303-97	16	17	14	18	16	95	70	98	20	6	90	9	12	50	17
AA-N-091-305-97	10	11	17	15	17	100	75	91	15	3	99	10	10	50	18
AA-N-091-314-97	17	16	17	18	16	95	65	120	13	9	95	4	11	50	19
AA-N-091-320-97	13	15	10	17	16	100	70	100	17	4	90	9	7	50	17
AA-N-092-207-97	6	10	14	15	13	40	30	62	0	0	90	13	9	22	13
AA-N-092-225-97	6	11	15	13	14	26	41	74	0	0	83	1	20	0	3
AA-N-102-1-94	5	4	5	3	6	99	95	41	4		70	5	2	50	18
AA-N-102-2-94	10	1	9	7	12	99	90	39	8		80	4	3	50	11
AA-N-104-114-95	6	4	6	11	8	80	55	52	6	0	90	7	7	15	6
AA-N-106-2-94	12	1	13	14	8	99	80	58	4		90	3	10	50	10
AA-N-106-5-94	8	3	11	11	12	99	85	60	3		90	2	14	50	10
AA-N-120-102-97	9	6	1	8	0	98	90	45	2	1	50	16	18	15	8
AA-N-126-306-95	12	10	16	17	5	50	75	87	4	2	95	15	10	0	12
AA-N-135-301-97	10	10	10	13	14	100	50	85	8	4	99	10	14	50	9
AA-N-152-304-97	13	10	11	17	5	41	72	117	8	8	99	11	7	21	10
AA-N-152-318-97	13	14	14	18	11	25	80	160	16	4	65	12	7	50	13
AA-N-160-215-97	18	18	15	15	17	65	85	70	10	2	98	14	16	21	4
AA-N-162-216-97	13	11	5	10	7	60	90	40	5	7	70	9	6	50	11
AA-N-164-1-94	8	5	2	9	0	50	85	39	3		80	17	17	20	11
AA-N-164-2-94	5	3	3	2	2	99	90	15	10		65	17	16	50	16

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	Epifaunal Substrate ¹	Pool Quality ¹		Percent Embeddedness ¹		Maximum Depth (cm) ¹		Number of Rootwads		Channel Alteration ¹		Riparian Width (m) ¹			
AA-N-170-5-94	9	5	6	12	0	99	85	70	2	90	5	7	15	7	
AA-N-170-6-94	14	6	14	11	9	99	85	59	3	90	8	7	25	6	
AA-N-172-209-95	7	4	10	12	14	50	96	52	8	2	95	9	12	50	13
AA-N-176-1-94	10	11	7	8	7	60	85	105	3	40	8	6	0	11	
AA-N-176-2-94	12	11	13	7	8	40	86	60	0	40	11	1	7	9	
AA-N-178-1-94	15	6	15	13	14	99	75	132	2	90	5	15	80	17	
AA-N-178-2-94	15	6	16	14	16	90	75	116	5	80	6	12	50	18	
AA-N-180-130-95	5	5	8	6	13	80	93	49	1	0	95	4	16	0	6
AA-N-186-115-96	12	7	7	12	10	95	95	17	5	0	40	6	5	3	6
AA-N-190-101-97	8	11	11	11	11	35	86	52	3	0	72	7	8	21	9
AA-N-201-203-97	12	13	10	10	11	60	80	35	9	4	70	5	5	50	19
AA-N-209-104-97	10	5	10	10	11	95	65	32	2	0	90	9	13	0	12
AA-N-211-101-97	2	1	2	2	1	100	50	16	1	0	20	1	6	0	12
AA-N-230-302-97	8	7	13	13	10	50	80	94	8	4	70	10	4	50	1
AA-N-230-307-97	10	10	14	13	10	50	85	81	8	2	90	16	6	50	6
AA-N-230-313-97	17	15	15	17	10	55	75	114	7	5	90	11	9	10	5
AA-N-230-319-97	14	11	15	15	10	50	80	141	7	3	80	11	8	50	8
AA-N-244-203-95	12	7	13	13	11	50	80	65	7	5	60	5	5	0	3
AA-N-258-121-97	9	5	5	7	10	95	90	40	3	0	50	7	5	50	5
AA-N-262-101-96	0	0	6	1	2	100	20	12	0	0	20	2	16	0	1
AA-N-268-2-94	13	11	8	11	6	45	75	59	0	45	9	7	30	7	
AA-N-268-4-94	9	10	5	11	6	60	85	31	0	65	6	10	0	10	
AA-N-281-1-94	14	3	18	15	15	99	85	150	7	95	5	8	50	19	
AA-N-281-2-94	14	6	16	14	15	99	80	137	5	95	5	11	50	18	
AA-N-281-310-97	18	18	17	17	17	95	60	83	11	6	90	10	13	50	16
AA-N-281-311-97	17	17	16	17	18	100	70	122	17	9	90	11	11	50	19
AA-N-288-3-94	10	5	7	3	7	99	85	19	4	95	16	19	50	14	
AA-N-307-218-97	6	11	5	5	5	45	82	29	1	0	20	4	14	3	1
AA-N-321-117-97	12	12	15	16	14	40	70	108	4	7	90	7	6	0	6
AA-N-323-225-96	16	15	13	13	12	85	90	60	13	2	90	14	16	24	16
AA-N-337-102-97	3	3	3	10	4	100	13	45	0	0	97	4	10	0	6
AA-S-001-226-97	11	5	9	13	0	100	95	77	6	2	80	16	6	50	13
AA-S-008-132-97	4	4	7	8	9	100	80	38	3	1	65	5	6	50	16
AA-S-024-138-97	9	12	9	11	12	30	85	42	8	0	85	15	7	50	18
CA-S-197-302-97	5	5	11	8	11	100	90	59	6	1	65	4	7	0	7
HO-N-019-304-96	6	5	8	17	0	100	95	108	10	8	95	5	4	50	6

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	Epifaunal Substrate ¹	Pool Quality ¹		Percent Embeddedness ¹	Maximum Depth (cm) ¹	Number of Rootwads	Channel Alteration ¹	Riparian Width (m) ¹							
HO-N-026-305-95	7	8	16	13	12	45	70	64	7	0	90	6	7	25	11

¹ MBSS Qualitative Habitat Metric - See Appendix B for Guidance

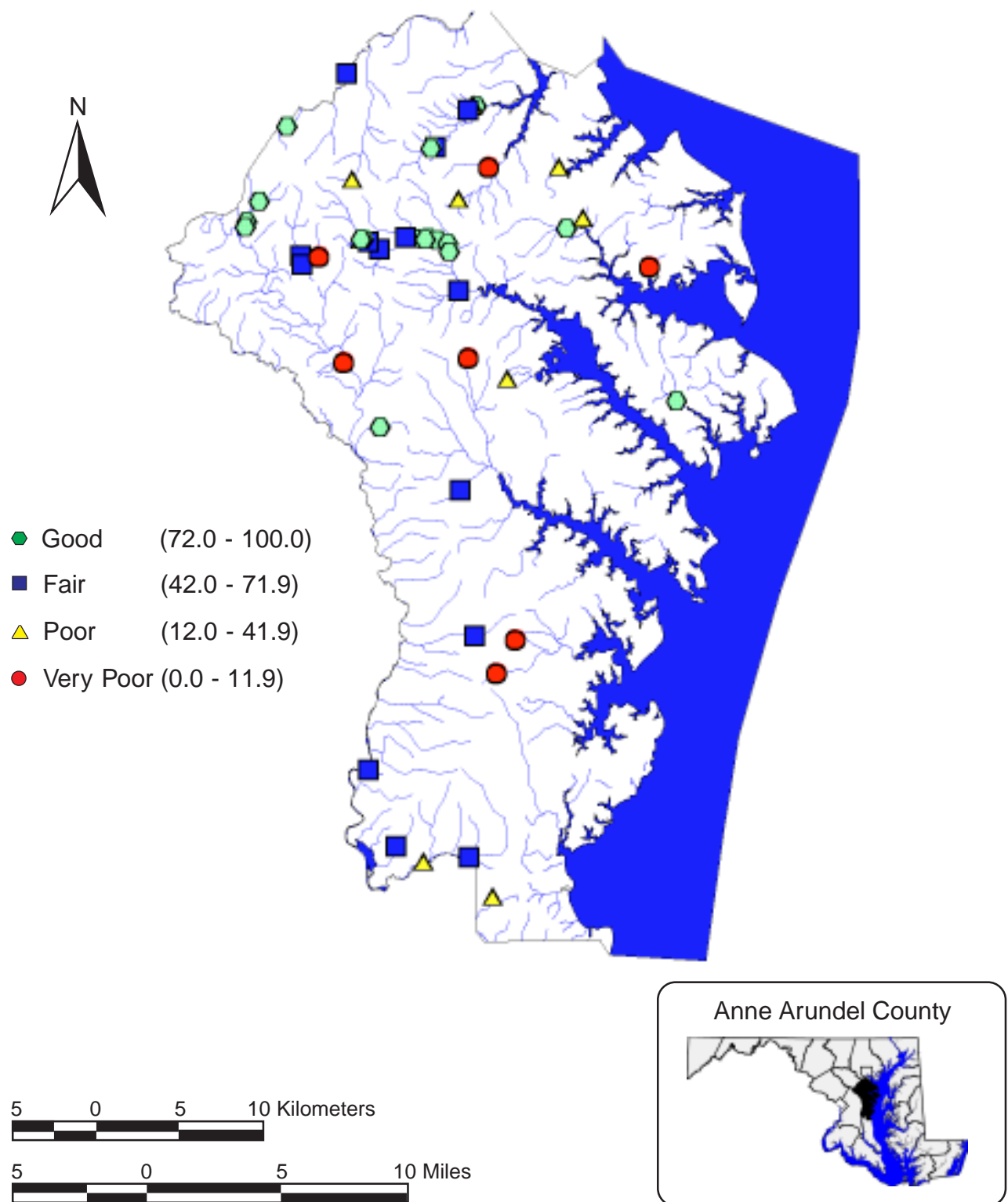


Figure 5. Stream ecological conditions based on the Physical Habitat Index (PHI) at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Table 6. Fish Index of Biotic Integrity (F-IBI), Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity (B-IBI), Family-Level Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity (Fam. IBI), and Physical Habitat Index (PHI) scores at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Site	Stream Name	F-IBI	B-IBI	Fam. IBI	PHI
AA-N-011-1-94	Saltworks Cr			1.57	
AA-N-011-3-94	Saltworks Cr			1.57	
AA-N-011-5-94	Saltworks Cr				
AA-N-012-110-97	Un Trib To Muddy Cr		1.0		6.89
AA-N-017-2-94	Flat Cr	2.00		1.00	
AA-N-017-4-94	Flat Cr	1.50	1.0		
AA-N-020-124-96	Un Trib To Sloop Cove		1.6		13.03
AA-N-021-112-97	Stockett's Run	3.00	2.7		63.87
AA-N-022-1-94	Severn Run	3.25		1.86	
AA-N-022-2-94	Severn Run	2.75		1.00	
AA-N-030-223-95	Ut Deep Run	4.25	3.9		84.18
AA-N-034-206-97	Mill Cr	3.00	1.6		73.95
AA-N-063-232-97	Dorsey Run	4.25	2.1		76.41
AA-N-072-103-97	Tarnans Br	4.00	2.1		50.47
AA-N-075-122-97	Un Trib To Bacon Ridge Br		1.9		2.59
AA-N-079-2-94	Gumbottom Br			1.29	
AA-N-079-5-94	Gumbottom Br			1.00	
AA-N-082-1-94	Plum Cr	1.00		2.43	
AA-N-082-2-94	Plum Cr	1.00	2.4		
AA-N-091-303-97	Severn Run	3.00	3.6		90.79
AA-N-091-305-97	Severn Run	3.00	3.3		82.49
AA-N-091-314-97	Severn Run	3.00	3.3		95.61
AA-N-091-320-97	Severn Run	2.50	3.0		79.80
AA-N-092-207-97	Midway Br	2.50	1.0		69.95
AA-N-092-225-97	Midway Br	2.50	1.3		61.55
AA-N-102-1-94	Flat Cr	2.25	2.7		
AA-N-102-2-94	Flat Cr	2.50	2.1		
AA-N-104-114-95	Ut Marley Creek	2.00	1.6		19.56
AA-N-106-1-94	Flat Cr			3.29	
AA-N-106-2-94	Flat Cr	2.75	3.6		
AA-N-106-5-94	Flat Cr				
AA-N-120-102-97	Blackhole Cr	1.75	1.3		10.62
AA-N-126-306-95	Sawmill Creek	3.00	2.4		88.67
AA-N-135-301-97	Severn Run	3.25	2.7		49.92
AA-N-139-1-94	Jabez Br				
AA-N-139-5-94	Jabez Br			1.00	
AA-N-152-304-97	Dorsey Run	4.25	1.3		87.39
AA-N-152-318-97	Dorsey Run	3.75	1.6		96.05
AA-N-160-215-97	Magothy R	4.00	2.1		83.12
AA-N-162-216-97	Schultz Run	3.25	2.7		37.77
AA-N-164-1-94	Severn Run		1.9		
AA-N-164-2-94	Severn Run	1.00	1.9		
AA-N-170-1-94	Severn Run			1.00	
AA-N-170-2-94	Severn Run			1.29	
AA-N-170-5-94	Severn Run				
AA-N-170-6-94	Severn Run				
AA-N-172-209-95	Sawmill Creek	3.00	3.0		49.09
AA-N-176-1-94	Little Patuxent R	3.00		1.29	
AA-N-176-2-94	Little Patuxent R			1.00	

Table 6 (cont.). Fish Index of Biotic Integrity (F-IBI), Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity (B-IBI), Family-Level Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity (Fam. IBI), and Physical Habitat Index (PHI) scores at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Site	Stream Name	F-IBI	B-IBI	Fam. IBI	PHI
AA-N-178-1-94	Severn Run	3.00	1.6		
AA-N-178-2-94	Severn Run	3.00	2.7		
AA-N-180-130-95	Stony Run	3.25	2.7		13.15
AA-N-186-115-96	Un Trib To Sawmill Cr		3.3		25.29
AA-N-190-101-97	Un Trib To Patuxent R		1.3		50.47
AA-N-201-203-97	Jabez Br	2.00	1.9		58.11
AA-N-209-104-97	Un Trib To Magothy R		1.3		33.24
AA-N-211-101-97	Un Trib To Mill Swamp Br		1.9		2.73
AA-N-230-302-97	Severn Run	3.00	1.9		57.84
AA-N-230-307-97	Severn Run	2.50	1.6		68.54
AA-N-230-313-97	Severn Run	3.25	2.1		91.33
AA-N-230-319-97	Severn Run	2.75	2.4		91.06
AA-N-244-203-95	Ut Sawmill Creek	2.50	2.4		63.36
AA-N-250-217-97	North R		2.7		
AA-N-258-121-97	Un Trib To Deep Ditch Br		2.7		12.06
AA-N-262-101-96	Marley Cr	1.00	1.0		1.61
AA-N-268-2-94	Little Patuxent R	2.00		1.29	
AA-N-268-4-94	Little Patuxent R	1.75		1.29	
AA-N-278-109-97	Bacon Ridge Br		1.3		
AA-N-281-1-94	Severn Run	2.75			
AA-N-281-2-94	Severn Run	3.00		1.00	
AA-N-281-310-97	Severn Run	2.75	4.4		92.48
AA-N-281-311-97	Severn Run	3.00	2.7		94.42
AA-N-288-1-94	Plum Cr			1.00	
AA-N-288-3-94	Plum Cr	1.50	1.9		
AA-N-307-218-97	Un Trib To Little Patuxent R	2.00	1.6		8.88
AA-N-321-117-97	Un Trib To Little Patuxent	2.00	1.9		86.39
AA-N-323-225-96	Sawmill Cr	3.25	2.7		77.97
AA-N-337-102-97	Franklin Br	2.50	1.3		7.71
AA-S-001-226-97	Lyon's Cr	4.75	4.1		53.22
AA-S-008-132-97	Hall Cr	2.50	2.7		15.73
AA-S-024-138-97	Deep Cr	2.75	3.0		58.64
AA-S-037-214-97	Un Trib To Smith Cr		1.0		
CA-S-197-302-97	Lyons Cr	4.75	3.9		19.91
HO-N-019-304-96	Deep Run	3.25	2.7		46.62
HO-N-026-305-95	Deep Run	4.25	2.4		

Table 7. Water chemistry data collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Site	pH	Conductivity ($\mu\text{S/cm}$)	Acid Neutralizing Capacity ($\mu\text{eq/L}$)	Nitrate (mg/L)	Sulfate (mg/L)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Dissolved Organic Carbon (mg/L)
AA-N-011-1-94	7.18	0.148	714.59	0.679	10.517		2.00
AA-N-011-3-94							
AA-N-012-110-97	6.87	0.250	555.70	0.542	31.372	7.80	2.50
AA-N-017-2-94	6.56	0.261	630.82	0.882	21.637		3.00
AA-N-017-4-94							
AA-N-020-124-96	5.75	0.158	55.90	0.256	20.599	6.50	4.90
AA-N-021-112-97	6.69	0.140	253.20	1.118	22.829	8.40	2.60
AA-N-022-1-94							
AA-N-022-2-94	6.63	0.155	388.77	0.983	15.325		5.00
AA-N-030-223-95	7.08	0.177	385.44	1.297	21.678	7.70	3.00
AA-N-034-206-97	6.79	0.113	301.00	0.581	5.521	5.60	4.70
AA-N-063-232-97	6.72	0.161	232.90	0.370	18.331	1.20	5.00
AA-N-072-103-97	6.60	0.227	226.40	0.386	18.064	7.50	3.90
AA-N-075-122-97	5.65	0.071	43.80	0.280	16.917	7.60	1.50
AA-N-079-2-94	6.39	0.127	72.26	0.290	14.375		2.00
AA-N-079-5-94							
AA-N-082-1-94	5.89	0.110	34.24	0.210	14.253		3.00
AA-N-082-2-94							
AA-N-091-303-97	7.01	0.160	463.00	0.763	14.764	7.90	4.80
AA-N-091-305-97	7.18	0.171	453.70	1.041	15.172	8.20	3.20
AA-N-091-314-97	7.31	0.172	447.00	1.099	15.360	8.70	3.60
AA-N-091-320-97	7.09	0.167	513.90	0.861	13.264	8.40	5.20
AA-N-092-207-97	6.71	0.215	563.60	1.075	17.446	11.20	6.30
AA-N-092-225-97	6.87	0.225	614.50	1.027	16.896	11.10	6.30
AA-N-102-1-94							
AA-N-102-2-94	6.22	0.172	122.93	2.068	19.868		1.00
AA-N-104-114-95	6.90	0.334	1038.95	0.927	19.162	5.40	5.00
AA-N-106-1-94	6.71	0.121	189.98	0.301	12.940		2.00
AA-N-106-2-94							
AA-N-120-102-97	4.00	0.091	-108.80	0.176	15.869	0.70	4.60
AA-N-126-306-95	6.77	0.272	714.82	1.396	21.847	8.40	6.00
AA-N-135-301-97	7.14	0.177	598.70	0.832	14.184	7.60	4.50
AA-N-139-1-94	7.02	0.126	404.81	1.104	15.651		6.00
AA-N-139-5-94							
AA-N-152-304-97	7.55	0.314	1109.30	0.451	20.350	7.90	3.90
AA-N-152-318-97	7.68	0.313	1112.50	0.435	20.241	6.80	3.60
AA-N-160-215-97	6.95	0.212	422.70	1.091	19.280	7.70	5.70
AA-N-162-216-97	6.95	0.177	555.10	0.303	15.383	4.90	8.50
AA-N-164-1-94							
AA-N-164-2-94	4.70	0.112	-15.82	0.097	14.575		8.00
AA-N-170-1-94							
AA-N-170-2-94	6.57	0.129	387.59	0.850	15.104		4.00
AA-N-172-209-95	6.67	0.135	295.51	1.849	24.293	8.20	4.00
AA-N-176-1-94	7.23	0.404	763.04	1.152	23.008		8.00
AA-N-176-2-94							
AA-N-178-1-94	6.48	0.115	208.33	0.455	12.730		8.00
AA-N-178-2-94							
AA-N-180-130-95	6.33	0.180	216.63	3.619	29.896	7.60	5.00

Table7 (cont.). Water chemistry data collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel county, 1994-1997.

Site	pH	Conductivity (μ S/cm)	Acid Neutralizing Capacity (μ eq/L)	Nitrate (mg/L)	Sulfate (mg/L)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Dissolved Organic Carbon (mg/L)
AA-N-186-115-96	6.66	0.308	729.00	2.379	14.771	8.80	11.80
AA-N-190-101-97	6.69	0.222	380.20	1.980	19.676	8.40	4.70
AA-N-201-203-97	6.97	0.317	589.90	0.791	10.804	8.50	7.90
AA-N-209-104-97	6.29	0.288	210.90	2.715	23.312	8.20	2.80
AA-N-211-101-97	6.97	0.177	764.30	1.940	20.895	3.60	4.80
AA-N-230-302-97	6.98	0.167	424.90	0.852	17.511	8.70	5.10
AA-N-230-307-97	6.78	0.152	369.00	0.926	17.194	8.70	4.10
AA-N-230-313-97	6.66	0.154	357.10	0.980	17.464	8.30	4.20
AA-N-230-319-97	6.54	0.159	339.80	1.215	17.088	8.20	3.70
AA-N-244-203-95	6.99	0.288	946.94	3.112	26.891	7.90	2.00
AA-N-250-217-97	5.14	0.089	0.60	0.305	17.492		2.10
AA-N-258-121-97	6.63	0.308	282.70	1.214	18.252	8.70	1.10
AA-N-262-101-96	6.99	0.676	897.90	1.888	22.614	8.60	14.60
AA-N-268-2-94	7.94	0.358	668.68	0.570	21.410		6.00
AA-N-268-4-94							
AA-N-278-109-97	7.05	0.191	531.20	1.314	23.865		7.00
AA-N-281-1-94							
AA-N-281-2-94	6.52	0.118	205.11	0.493	13.047		7.00
AA-N-281-310-97	7.18	0.169	398.20	1.338	16.084	8.20	3.40
AA-N-281-311-97	7.07	0.170	389.60	1.322	16.065	7.70	3.40
AA-N-288-1-94							
AA-N-288-3-94	4.73	0.091	-19.40	0.161	14.130		4.00
AA-N-307-218-97	6.27	0.063	206.00	0.296	8.408	4.30	10.10
AA-N-321-117-97	6.69	0.217	485.90	0.604	21.198	8.10	4.70
AA-N-323-225-96	6.56	0.190	321.60	1.552	25.474	8.60	4.90
AA-N-337-102-97	7.11	0.249	706.70	1.093	18.284	9.90	5.20
AA-S-001-226-97	6.83	0.180	246.70	1.122	26.692	6.80	4.30
AA-S-008-132-97	6.88	0.146	430.30	0.606	24.350	8.50	2.90
AA-S-024-138-97	6.58	0.216	195.80	0.926	26.857	9.30	2.80
AA-S-037-214-97	6.44	0.144	127.70	0.649	27.124		2.30
CA-S-197-302-97	6.64	0.176	244.90	1.206	26.056	7.90	2.30
HO-N-019-304-96	7.40	0.495	1021.80	0.844	24.356	9.20	4.90
HO-N-026-305-95	7.68	0.266	1124.87	0.684	23.209	7.70	3.00

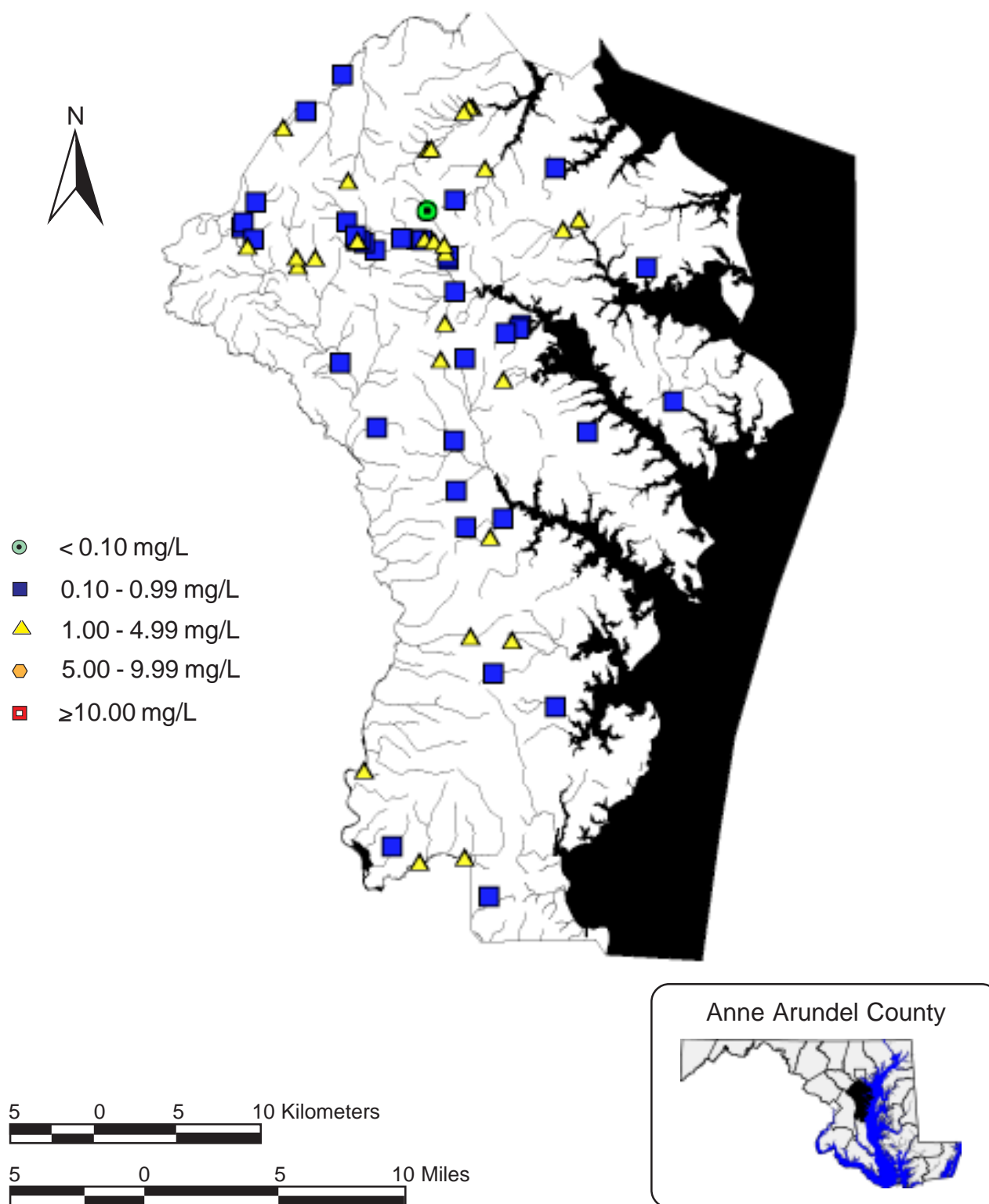


Figure 6. Nitrate-nitrogen concentrations (mg/L) at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

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Appendix A. Summary of the types of data collected at Maryland Biological Stream Survey sites in Anne Arundel County, 1994-1997.

Abbreviations used are as follows: F-IBI - Fish Index of Biotic Integrity; B-IBI Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity; Fam.IBI - Family-Level Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity; PHI - Physical Habitat Index.

Site	Stream Name	Benthic Macroinvertebrate		Habitat		F-IBI		Fam. IBI	
		Fish	Herpetofauna	Water Chemistry			B-IBI		PHI
AA-N-011-1-94	Saltworks Cr		X			X		X	
AA-N-011-3-94	Saltworks Cr	X	X	X	X			X	
AA-N-011-5-94	Saltworks Cr	X		X	X				
AA-N-012-110-97	Un Trib To Muddy Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-017-2-94	Flat Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
AA-N-017-4-94	Flat Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		
AA-N-020-124-96	Un Trib To Sloop Cove	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-021-112-97	Stockett's Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-022-1-94	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X		X	
AA-N-022-2-94	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X		X	
AA-N-030-223-95	Ut Deep Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-034-206-97	Mill Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-063-232-97	Dorsey Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-072-103-97	Tarnans Br	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-075-122-97	Un Trib To Bacon Ridge Br	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-079-2-94	Gumbottom Br		X			X		X	
AA-N-079-5-94	Gumbottom Br		X					X	
AA-N-082-1-94	Plum Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
AA-N-082-2-94	Plum Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		
AA-N-091-303-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-091-305-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-091-314-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-091-320-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-092-207-97	Midway Br	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-092-225-97	Midway Br	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-102-1-94	Flat Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		
AA-N-102-2-94	Flat Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		
AA-N-104-114-95	Ut Marley Creek	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-106-1-94	Flat Cr		X			X		X	
AA-N-106-2-94	Flat Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		
AA-N-106-5-94	Flat Cr	X		X	X				
AA-N-120-102-97	Blackhole Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-126-306-95	Sawmill Creek	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-135-301-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-139-1-94	Jabez Br					X			

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Site	Stream Name	Benthic Macroinvertebrate		Habitat		F-IBI		Fam. IBI	
		Fish	Herpetofauna	Water Chemistry			B-IBI		PHI
AA-N-139-5-94	Jabez Br		X					X	
AA-N-152-304-97	Dorsey Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-152-318-97	Dorsey Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-160-215-97	Magothy R	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-162-216-97	Schultz Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-164-1-94	Severn Run	X	X	X			X		
AA-N-164-2-94	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		
AA-N-170-1-94	Severn Run		X					X	
AA-N-170-2-94	Severn Run		X		X			X	
AA-N-170-5-94	Severn Run	X		X					
AA-N-170-6-94	Severn Run	X		X					
AA-N-172-209-95	Sawmill Creek	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-176-1-94	Little Patuxent R	X	X	X	X	X		X	
AA-N-176-2-94	Little Patuxent R	X	X	X	X			X	
AA-N-178-1-94	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		
AA-N-178-2-94	Severn Run	X	X	X		X	X		
AA-N-180-130-95	Stony Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-186-115-96	Un Trib To Sawmill Cr	X	X	X	X		X		X
AA-N-190-101-97	Un Trib To Patuxent R	X	X	X	X		X		X
AA-N-201-203-97	Jabez Br	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-209-104-97	Un Trib To Magothy R	X	X	X	X		X		X
AA-N-211-101-97	Un Trib To Mill Swamp Br	X	X	X	X		X		X
AA-N-230-302-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-230-307-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-230-313-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-230-319-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-244-203-95	Ut Sawmill Creek	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-250-217-97	North R		X		X		X		
AA-N-258-121-97	Un Trib To Deep Ditch Br	X	X	X	X		X		X
AA-N-262-101-96	Marley Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
AA-N-268-2-94	Little Patuxent R	X	X	X	X	X		X	
AA-N-268-4-94	Little Patuxent R	X	X	X		X		X	
AA-N-278-109-97	Bacon Ridge Br		X		X		X		
AA-N-281-1-94	Severn Run	X		X	X	X			
AA-N-281-2-94	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X		X	

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Site	Stream Name	Benthic Macroinvertebrate			Habitat	F-IBI		Fam. IBI	
		Fish	Herpetofauna		Water Chemistry	B-IBI		PHI	
AA-N-281-310-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-N-281-311-97	Severn Run	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-N-288-1-94	Plum Cr		X						X
AA-N-288-3-94	Plum Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
AA-N-307-218-97	Un Trib To Little Patuxent R	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-N-321-117-97	Un Trib To Little Patuxent	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-N-323-225-96	Sawmill Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-N-337-102-97	Franklin Br	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-S-001-226-97	Lyon's Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-S-008-132-97	Hall Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-S-024-138-97	Deep Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AA-S-037-214-97	Un Trib To Smith Cr		X			X		X	
CA-S-197-302-97	Lyons Cr	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
HO-N-019-304-96	Deep Run	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
HO-N-026-305-95	Deep Run	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

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Appendix B. Physical habitat condition measured by the Maryland Biological Stream Survey, 1994-1997. All variables rated on a scale of 0 (poor) to 20 (optimal) unless otherwise noted.

SUBSTRATE AND INSTREAM COVER

Instream Habitat is rated according to the perceived value of habitat to the fish community. Higher scores are assigned to sites with a variety of habitat types and particle sizes. In addition, higher scores are assigned to sites with a high degree of uneven substrate, including logs and rootwads. In streams where substrate types are favorable but flows are so low that fish are essentially precluded from using the habitat, low scores are assigned. If none of the habitat within a segment is useable by fish, a score of zero is assigned.

Epifaunal Substrate is rated based on the amount and variety of hard, stable substrates usable by benthic macroinvertebrates. Because they inhibit colonization, flocculent materials or fine sediments surrounding otherwise good substrates are assigned low scores. Scores are also reduced when substrates are less stable.

Velocity/Depth Diversity is rated based on the variety of velocity/depth regimes present at a site (slow-shallow, slow-deep, fast-shallow, and fast-deep). As with embeddedness, this metric varies by stream gradient.

Pool/Glide/Eddy Quality is rated based on the variety and spatial complexity of slow or still water habitat within the sample segment. In high-gradient streams, functionally important slow water habitat may exist in the form of larger eddies. Within a category, higher scores are assigned to segments which have undercut banks, woody debris or other types of cover for fish.

Riffle/Run Quality is based on the depth, complexity, and functional importance of riffle/run habitat in the segment, with highest scores assigned to segments dominated by deeper riffle/run areas, stable substrates, and a variety of current velocities.

Embeddedness is a percentage of surface area of larger particles that is surrounded by fine sediments on the stream bottom. In low gradient streams, embeddedness may be high even in relatively unimpaired watersheds.

CHANNEL CHARACTER

Channel Alteration is a measure of large-scale changes in the shape of the stream channel. Channel alteration includes: concrete channels, artificial embankments, obvious straightening of the natural channel, rip-rap, or other structures, as well as recent bar development. Ratings for this metric are based on the presence of artificial structures as well as the existence, extent, and coarseness of point bars, side bars, and mid-channel bars which indicate the degree of flow fluctuations and substrate stability. Evidence of channelization may sometimes be seen in the form of berms that parallel the stream channel.

Bank Stability is rated based on the presence/absence of riparian vegetation and other stabilizing bank materials such as boulders and rootwads, and frequency/size of erosional areas. Sites with steep slopes are not penalized if banks are composed solely of stable materials.

Channel Flow Status is the percentage of the stream channel that has water, with subtractions made for exposed substrates and dewatered areas.

RIPARIAN CORRIDOR

Shading is rated based on estimates of the degree and duration of shading at a site during summer, including any effects of shading caused by land forms.

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Riparian Buffer is rated according to the size and type of the vegetated riparian buffer zone at the site. Cultivated fields for agriculture that have bare soil to any extent are not considered as riparian buffers. At sites where the buffer width is variable, or direct delivery of storm runoff or sediment to the stream is evident or highly likely, the narrowest representative buffer width in the segment (e.g., 0 if parking lot runoff enters directly to the stream) is measured and recorded even though some of the stream segment may have a well developed riparian buffer.

AESTHETICS/REMOTENESS

Aesthetics are rated according to the visual appeal of the site and presence/absence of human refuse, with highest scores assigned to stream segments with no human refuse and visually outstanding character.

Remoteness is rated based on the absence of detectable human activity and difficulty in accessing the segment.